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Quick LOOK

Center fights eating disorders

The University Counseling Center offered questionnaires and played host to informational meetings in recognition of National Eating Disorder Week this week. According to the National Institute of Mental Health, more than 5 million Americans suffer from eating disorders, 95 percent of them being women between the ages of 12 and 25. Confidential counseling regarding eating disorders is available and free to students throughout the year. For information call the Counseling Center at 562-1220.

Students to perform plays

The second lab series of the semester will be performed Friday by Northwest students. The series will consist of two, one act plays.

The first will be "Dentistry Crisis" followed by "Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It All For You".

The main character in "Dentistry Crisis" is recovering from a nervous breakdown. Jane is nagged relentlessly by her cheerful mother and confused by her "oversexed" brother, who plays the roles of her father, her grandfather and her mother's French lover. Eventually all actors change personalities again and become Jane herself, leaving her with no identity at all.

"Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It All For You" is about a nun who is concerned with sin in all forms. The trouble starts when several of her former students turn up. One of them is a happy mother of an illegitimate child. Another is homosexual. The third has had two abortions and the fourth is an alcoholic contemplating suicide. It is quickly apparent the one thing they all have in common is their loathing for Sister Mary.

The performances will be at 7:30 p.m. Friday in Charles Johnson Theater. Tickets are \$1 and are only available at the door.

Talent show ends celebration

The Alliance of Black Collegians will be wrapping up the celebration of black history month with its fourth annual talent show at 7 tonight in the University Conference Center.

This year there will only be a talent show. In previous years there was also a fashion show. ABC president Kimberly Merrill said because of the new trimester schedule ABC did not have time to sponsor both shows.

The talent show is a way for ABC to end black history month. The first part of the month is focused on educational aspects of black history month, Merrill said.

"Toward the end of the month we like to wrap everything up with entertainment," Merrill said. "We want people to come in and have a good laugh as well as a good time."

Everyone is welcome to attend or be a part of the show. The talent show entry fee is \$5. The admission fee is \$2.

"Everyone is welcome to enter up until before the show starts," Merrill said.

When the show starts no more entry forms will be taken. There will be cash prizes of \$50, \$25 and \$15 given to first, second and third place winners.

Participants perform by doing skits, dances and singing and range from individuals to large groups.

"We have a lot of individual acts who come up and do their thing," Merrill said. "Missouri Western will also be joining us, but we don't know how many will be attending from there. One thing to expect though is the women from the AKA (Alpha Kappa Alpha) sorority, they will be doing a step show."

"The talent show is put open to anyone, not just black students," Merrill said. "A lot of people around the campus look forward to this event and we're glad to be able to put it on."

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Tuition to increase

On-campus students to pay \$375 more per year

by Josh Flaharty
Chief Reporter

The Board of Regents voted to increase tuition and fees by 9 percent for the 1999-2000 school year during its Monday meeting.

This means an undergraduate student paying in-state tuition will see an increase from \$90.75 to \$98.25 per credit hour. Graduate, in-state tuition will go up \$10 to \$122.75.

Out of state tuition, minus designated fees such as textbook rental and a bond fee to cover renovations, is twice that of in-state tuition.

A 3 percent increase in room and board, from \$3,890 to \$4,010, and a \$1 per credit hour increase in the technology fee were also approved. For example, a student paying in-state tuition and living on campus will see an overall increase of just over 5.5 percent, or \$375 per year.

Ray Courter, vice president for finance, said the increases were necessary to cover inflation and the cost of operating the University.

John Rickman, vice president for information systems and computing services, said the technology fee increase was needed to maintain and purchase new computer equipment.

He said the life span of the 26 computer labs and classrooms on campus is decreasing. He also noted that more equipment will be needed when South Complex reopens in the fall of 2000.

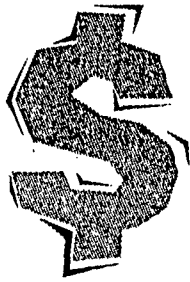
Rickman said about 100 new computers will be placed in labs and the older units will be placed in South Complex.

Courter said the process leading up to increase proposals was complicated. The difference between the money that is expected to come in and the expected expenditures is used to determine the size of tuition increases.

"We're not trying to make money here," he said. "We're not a profit-making institution."

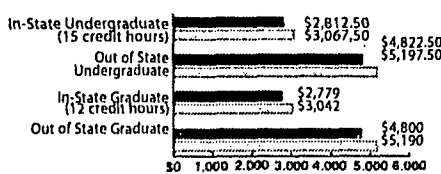
The Board discussed several other issues including a decline in some enrollment numbers and the future housing situation.

Board members expressed concern about a decline in enrollment of first semester freshmen. The number of first trimester freshmen dropped from 1,191 in 1997 to 1,116 last year.



Fast facts

■ Tuition and fees for two trimesters (off-campus residents) ■ FY 98-99 ■ FY 99-00



■ Room and board for two trimesters (Double room and standard meal plan)

FY 1998-1999 \$3,890
FY 1999-2000 \$4,010

Kaori Nagai/Graphics Editor

The decrease was, in part, because of increased admissions standards, Roger Pugh, dean of enrollment management, said.

Hubbard said the University was operating efficiently and he was satisfied with the current enrollment numbers despite the decrease.

The future of the high rise residence halls was also discussed briefly. The board spoke about changing from a traditional dorm style to a suite style.

Hubbard asked whether it was worth spending \$1.5 million to upgrade pipes in Phillips and Franken halls when they may be torn down and replaced with suites.

The board decided to look into the high rise situation further.

Large debt raises fees

by Burton Taylor
University News Editor

A negative balanced budget resulted in the increase of dues for over 600 members of the Interfraternity Council this semester.

The increase was long overdue and should have been implemented a couple of years ago, Bryan Vanosdale, campus activities director, said.

The dues increase, passed by fraternity members, effects all male Greek members. Each fraternity member now has to pay \$6 to IFC instead of the original \$4 fee. Associate fraternity members will be required to pay \$12 for their membership in IFC.

With 600 active fraternity members on campus and 50 new members, IFC will generate \$4,200 in dues this semester, increasing the budget by \$1,686. The amount will give IFC an approximate balance of -\$785, which helps some but does not totally pay off the debts, IFC president Kent Turpin said.

"It puts my mind a little bit at ease, but I won't be happy until it is a positive (balance)," Turpin said.

The debt reached over \$2,400 this semester after IFC spent \$1,611 on Rush pamphlets, booklets and brochures to promote

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Comedy 'Rips' Mary Linn

by Sarah Y. Johnson
Missourian Reporter

The cast from "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" delivered a comical performance which kept the audience laughing Tuesday night at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

"It was awesome," said Emily Vaughn, journalism major. "It's difficult to explain how funny it was. I thought it was amazing how the main character was able to bring the audience in."

Vaughn was speaking of Rip Taylor, who played the leading role, Pseudolus. He said his previous experiences have given him the ability to spontaneously add humor to his character.

"That's from the experience in night clubs," Taylor said.

The musical comedy's cast has been on the road since October 1998 and will continue touring through April. Prior to traveling, the production was a success on Broadway, winning six Tony awards including best musical.

Taylor said although he's not crazy about the traveling, he likes performing



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Editor

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Comedian Rip Taylor sings to the crowd at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center during the first musical number. Taylor starred in "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum," replacing JoAnne Worley because the touring company would not let her take her dogs. Taylor played Pseudolus, the main character of the play.

Weather disrupts community, campus

by Blake Drehle
Chief Reporter

For those who were anticipating the return of spring, Old Man Winter quickly reminded them it was still winter Monday and early Tuesday morning when he dumped approximately five inches of snow on the ground. But with today's high temperatures in the 60s, there are now only puddles where the snow was.

All Maryville schools were dismissed an hour early on Monday and all classes were canceled Tuesday. The 3A District 16 Basketball Tournament, held in Smithville, was also affected by the weather cancelling the Spoofound girls' first game.

Maryville's snow ordinance was in full effect Monday as well, running from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tuesday morning.

Assistant city manager Matt Chesnut said the ordinance ran frequently because it notified people to move their vehicles if they were parked on the snow route.

"The effect of the ordinance was to warn people that if they were parked on the streets of the snow routes they needed to move their automobile before it would be ticketed and possibly towed," Chesnut

said. Chesnut suggested people who live on snow routes park their vehicles on side streets.

"I suggest the first time you hear about the snow ordinance, park your automobile on a side street several blocks away," he said. "I know it will be an inconvenience for people to walk a couple blocks, but it won't be as big of an inconvenience as paying a ticket or having your automobile towed."

The reason the snow ordinance ended at 2 a.m. was the city wanted to start clearing the streets after the weather system had moved through the region, Chesnut said.

"We have to wait to see what happens with the weather before we start clearing the streets allowing us to accomplish more," he said.

Northwest landscape employees were busy this week, too, clearing the snow on campus streets, parking lots and sidewalks.

Landscape leadsman Tom Gaa said work on campus began early Tuesday morning.

"Campus Safety gave the call in and told us that the roads were getting slick late Monday evening, which gave us the go ahead to start," Gaa said. "It took some time to move the snow out of the parking lots because it was harder to move due to fact of how heavy the snow was once it was packed together."

Temperatures are predicted to stay spring-like this weekend.



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Editor

Jay Cacek, Maryville street superintendent, and Nick Wilmes try to straighten a stop sign that had been knocked down early Tuesday.

Mozingo breaks away from debt

by Josh Flaharty
Chief Reporter

The Mozingo Golf Course is operating out of debt two years ahead of schedule.

Rick Schultz, golf professional and Mozingo Golf Course manager, said the facility is supporting itself and no longer needs to draw money from the city's general fund.

"We should have broken even in five years; we've done it in three," Schultz said.

The goal was met early because of the increase in the number of golf rounds played in the past three years. In 1996, over 11,800 rounds of golf were played. The number nearly doubled with almost 21,000 rounds played in 1998.

There are many plans for the course now that it is making enough money to support itself. For instance, the second floor of the clubhouse is being finished. When completed, it will include a deck surrounding the upper level and a large community room which could generate revenue through rental fees.

A new maintenance building is also under construction, Schultz said. The maintenance crew is expected to move into the new facility within the next two weeks.

Schultz said all of the improvements should be complete by the middle of May. Building and remodeling are not the only changes at Mozingo. The course has also purchased 10 more golf carts and 98 yardage markers.

Activities to benefit golfers and the community are being added as well.

Schultz said the course is planning more charity tournaments and a junior golf league. It is also looking at reducing the cost for golfers to register their handicap with the United States Golf Association in hopes of getting more people to utilize the system.

"If we could do it cheaper, then maybe we could get more people to have a handicap," Schultz said.

OUR VIEW

Charity pays

Less fortunate receive guidance, kindness from Ministry Center

It's the concern and kindness of our community that allows us to succeed and enables us to do well.

In the same spirit, the new Ministry Center, located at 971 S. Main St., is sharing this sense of concern and kindness with those who are less fortunate in Nodaway County.

The Ministry Center, a program organized by the Maryville First Baptist Church, the Maryville First United Methodist Church, the Maryville food pantry and St. Joseph's Catholic Charities, provides free food, clothing, spiritual aid and professional counseling to those in need.

But this program goes beyond a group of service organizations working to make a difference. It allows those who are fortunate to give back to their community and help their neighbors prosper.

The Ministry Center accepts donated items, such as paper or plastic grocery bags, clean plastic soda or water bottles, clothing, food items, bandages and personal hygiene supplies. Donations can be left at the Ministry Center or with any of the area churches, which are marked for the Ministry Center. Contact the Ministry Center at 582-6649 to find out what is needed most.

With the holiday season past, those in need are often overlooked. But the Ministry Center allows each of us to share with others throughout the year.

Join the Ministry Center's volunteers at the ribbon cutting 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday. Take the opportunity to give back to our community which gives us so much in the way of assistance and support.

When it takes so little to help so many, it is well worth the effort. Donate the items you no longer need to the Ministry Center and know that the concern and kindness you show toward others will allow all of us to succeed and prosper.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Senators fail to consider students' interests

Students looking for representation from Student Senate may have to look elsewhere or start fighting their own battles. In the past, you could rely on Senate to represent students and ask questions about policies or aspects of the university that were a concern for students; however, it seems like the objective of senate has changed.

As the liaison between the students and the administration, it is important that senators have the initiative to ask questions and object to new proposals that are not in the best interest of students. In order to do that, senators must have a backbone against university officials.

This year, it seems as though Senate has taken on a new focus: their résumé. No longer is senate a serious organization to bring your concerns because those involved, or shall I say the majority, are more interested in their own needs than those of other students. It seems as though senators have taken the position to put it on their résumé, but they don't do anything that benefits the student body.

They will argue that they hold class meetings, but no one shows up. Well, no one shows up because their concerns are never voiced in the official Senate meeting. I mean would you go and waste your precious time to talk to class officers who don't really care what you think? I know I wouldn't.

Then they do all this talk about how they want everyone to be more involved and come to Senate, but as an elected representative, if students are not approaching you, wouldn't it seem that you should go out and talk

to the students. Oh my, that would involve talking to someone outside of the Student Senate bubble. And we couldn't have that, could we?

For those of you who are not aware of the situation, Student Senate has become a fraternity and sorority mixer. If you are Greek, they would love to have you, but heaven forbid, an independent, and they have to check you out first to make sure you meet their qualifications. If you don't, I'm sorry, but your out!

Now, if you are lucky enough to have a Greek brother or sister in the organization, you could be elected into a position your first time at a meeting. Pretty fair, wouldn't you say?

Of course, there are independents in Senate, but luckily they were voted in by their class; however, they are the minority and their positions are not stable. Well, it might be stable if they follow the Greeks around, but if they are willing to stand up for other students, it is a short term for them. Standing up against the clique can be detrimental to your senate career because eventually you will lose the battle. If you are one of the strong-willed senators, they will try to force you out by shooting your ideas down, and if that doesn't work, they will work to impeach you.

Of course, what were you thinking, this is a non-recognized Greek organization and 'You have to be Greek, or you have to go.'

Danielle Saunders,
Journalism/English Major,
class representative

CORRECTION

In last week's Northwest Missourian Lee Thomson was mistakenly identified as a female. The Missourian regrets the error.

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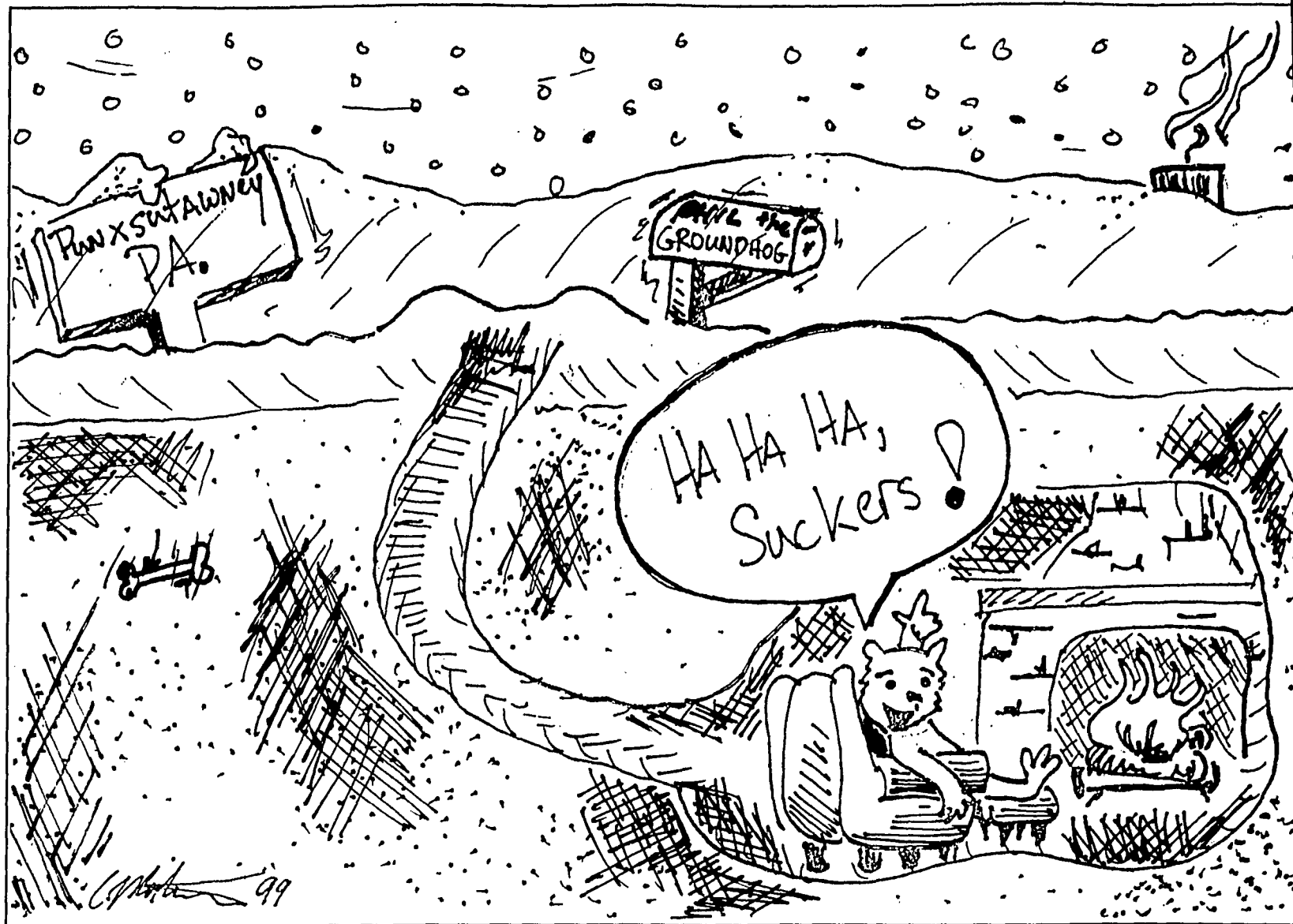
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MY VIEW

International students head cultural dinner



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Organization president gains friendships through cultural experiences

It has been a quick four years at Northwest for one Japanese student.

I have learned a lot about the Midwest culture, and I would like to stay in this country after my graduation in May.

Many of my memorable experiences at Northwest have come from the International Student Organization, and ISO's biggest, and probably my last, event is coming soon.

ISO will sponsor the 19th annual International Dinner and Cultural Show at 6 p.m. March 6 in the Conference Center. More than 40 different foods and about 10 performances from all over the world will be featured in the event.

The ISO Dinner and Show is one of few opportunities for people at Northwest and in Maryville to experience some of the world's cultures.

I have learned a lot about other cultures through friendships with people from other countries. I believe that understanding of other cultures and people come first through experiencing them.

Why is Japanese animation popular in the United States? That is because people think it is "cool." However, if no one had discovered that Japanese animation was "cool," animation such as Sailor Moon and Power Ranger may not have been imported to the United States.

Other countries have "cool" stuff such as dance, song, language and people. However, many people have not experienced these foreign cultures because these people have not ever touched them.

Every year, a half million people move to the United States. This country is becoming a place for people from all over the world. So,

American people cannot say they don't have to talk to foreigners anymore. But, if they can communicate better with people from other countries, what a benefit they can receive.

Also, look at things in your house. Where are your stereo, television, VCR, camera, cars, and desks from? Are they all made in the USA? Where are the materials of these products from? American people unconsciously have taken advantage of inexpensive foreign products.

I understand, though. People have difficulties in understanding other cultures, unless they know the benefits. Many Japanese have a positive impression about American people, because they have been influenced by American movies and music. They believe American pop culture is "cool."

I believe cultural understanding will start with this word, "cool," and I am trying to say the rest of the world has "cool" stuff. So why not experience it?

Thanks to the support from the University and companies in this community, the last ISO Dinner and Show in the 20th century is going to proceed.

Tickets for the ISO Dinner and Show are \$7 for adults, \$5 for senior citizens and children under 12 and free for children under 4. They are available at the Student Services Desk at the Administration Building.

Tickets are limited to 300 to meet the Conference Center maximum capacity. If you are able to buy a ticket, I will see you all there with a lot of "cool" stuff.

Toru Yamauchi is the president of the International Student Organization.

IT'S YOUR TURN

What, if anything, needs to be renovated at Rickenbrode Stadium?



"I think the press box definitely needs renovation."
Bobbie Jo Hartman,
undecided major



"The bleachers of the student section should be expanded."
Peggy Dollard,
undecided major



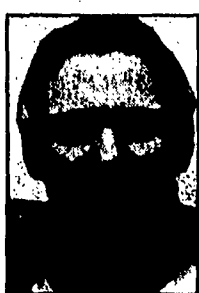
"Bobby needs a new push-up board and they need cheerleaders in the student section."
Abbey Pettit,
finance major



"There needs to be a larger capacity."
Justin Dammann,
farm operations major



"There needs to be '1998 National Champions' on the scoreboard, more entrances and exits and a TV screen."
Kaba Abdullah,
education/geography major



"There needs to be light so they can play night games."
Ryan Sorge,
broadcasting major

MY VIEW

What the h-word is going on?



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Student expresses discontent with liberal use of vulgar language

It is impossible to go to class or stay at home and watch TV without hearing a fair share of profanity. Don't get me wrong; I'm as inclined to utter a few choice words in a moment of anger as anyone else. But repeatedly using the a-word, b-word, s-word or various other words in everyday conversation is degrading and demoralizing to all of us.

Most of us have a bit of a college education. Yet our speaking skills have gone to s-word. Plain English isn't good enough to communicate with our peers, co-workers and instructors; now we have to throw in a few expletives and a few choice phrases.

It is difficult to have a conversation nowadays without hearing or using the a-word, b-word, c-word, d-word, f-word, h-word, j-word, p-word, s-word or a combination of words such as the mf-word. Who would have thought people would talk about mom that way?

It used to be you didn't say those words — any of them, but especially the f-word and its numerous variations — in mixed company, because before you knew it some guy would start swinging, wanting to know why the f-word you were using that kind of language around his girlfriend or wife or sister and threatening to beat the s-word out of you.

Those were obviously the days of chivalry.

Then there were the 1960s, when everyone said they couldn't truly be free and happy unless they were allowed to say the f-word (and several others) whenever they d-word-well wanted to.

And so it is continuing into the millennium. We've even added our own variations and creatively strung them together. Who would have known so many people could have the same f-word-ing middle name?

Now everyone says it. People of every economic status. People of every ethnicity. People of both sexes.

It's a sense of empowerment, I suppose, to be able to tell someone to f-word off, although one expletive is often countered by another. Before you know it, the b-word, a-word and c-word wind up in the conversation, and all of that can lead to deep s-word. Mention those words to someone you work with and you'll find your a-word in court for harassment and you'll be all f-worded up.

So, obviously, it's advisable to avoid such language. It's time to be civil and not use such crude language. It's time to accept responsibility for what we're saying, when we're saying it and who we're saying it to.

Otherwise, what the h-word is the world is coming to?

Erica Smith is the design director of The Northwest Missourian.

COMIN' UP

Friday
 ■ First block ends
 ■ Lab series, Charles Johnson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Monday
 ■ Second block begins

Tuesday
 ■ Last date to enroll in a second block course

Thursday
 ■ Kansas City Chorale, Mary Linn Performing Arts Center, 7:30 p.m.

Friday
 ■ Last date to drop a semester course
 ■ Northwest Celebration tour

Saturday
 ■ Junior high concert band festival, Charles Johnson Theater
 ■ International Student Organization dinner and show, Conference Center, 6 p.m.

Sunday
 ■ Wind Symphony/Symphonic Band Spring concert, Mary Linn Performing Arts Center

SENATE MINUTES

Senior class representative Danielle Saunders turned in her letter of resignation at Student Senate's meeting, Tuesday. Saunders decided to resign in response to a letter she received from four concerned senators including senior class president Kristin Farley. The letter detailed those senators' views that Saunders was not fulfilling her duties as a senator or class representative, and thus, should be removed from her office.

However, junior class representative Andrew Saegar made a motion to reject Saunders's resignation, which prompted discussion.

Senate then voted to reject the resignation, which means a formal impeachment hearing will take place at Senate's meeting next Tuesday.

At the hearing, both Saunders and the senators who initiated the impeachment effort will have a chance to give their sides of the issue. After discussion, a vote will be taken to determine whether Saunders will maintain her office.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Deadline set for house

The construction of the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity house is scheduled to be completed by its July 31, 1999, deadline.



The fraternity purchased the house and property at 516 W. Ninth St. next to the original Sig Ep house for the expansion of a new house.

These homes were demolished to make room for the new Sig Ep house on Sept. 16, 1997. The permanent address for the house will be 516 W. Ninth St.

The house, located east of the campus, began construction in December 1998 and will house 28 men in 14 two-man bedrooms.

The first floor will contain a Chapter room, a study, four bedrooms, a kitchenette and a television room.

The second floor contains 10 bedrooms, and two separate bathroom on opposite sides of the house, each with a total of six showers.

The front of the house will be bricked with maintenance free siding covering the remaining sides of the house.

A front porch with prominent Greek pillars will face the street with parking situated at the rear of the building.

Organization sponsors dinner

by Matt Armstrong
 Missourian Reporter

The International Student Organization will sponsor the 19th annual international dinner and culture show at 6 p.m. March 6 in the Conference Center.

This year's theme is Cultural Kaleidoscope. The event will feature a wide variety of food and performances.

Last year's ISO dinner and show featured 40 different dishes from 17 different countries along with 11 performances including songs, dances, skits and a fashion show.

This year will be no exception. The range of cuisines is back as well as many performers. The majority of the food will be prepared by international students.

Northwest student Koki Nakagawa, a 19-year-old Japanese singer who placed second in the 1997 Japan amateur singer tournament, will perform some of his original songs for the first time in public.

Joining Nakagawa to entertain an estimated 300 audience members will be Garrick Mueller performing Russian dance. Japanese dances and American country line dancing,

songs from India and a fashion show depicting traditional dress from various cultures will also be featured.

The purpose of the event is to give the Maryville residents and Northwest students a taste of different cultures.

"We want to get the community to know about different cultures," ISO President Toru Yamauchi said. "If someone hasn't looked at other cultures then they can't say they're good or bad unless they experience them."

The community has been extremely supportive of the event, Yamauchi said.

Every year, more organizations are getting involved by donating money and door prizes.

"We really appreciate all the support the community has given," Yamauchi said. "Every year, more companies are donating, and the event keeps getting better and better."

Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children under 12 and senior citizens. They are available at the Student Services Desk in the Administration building or directly through ISO members.



The cast of "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" performed Tuesday night at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. The cast received a standing ovation following the performance.

Heidi Floersch/
 Missourian
 Photographer

FORUM

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"I like the fact that they know what we're doing," Taylor said. "The college students get it right away."

The audience was quick to respond to the humor and fun the musical produced.

"From the very beginning, the audience became involved with the plot and seemed to be in tune with the characters," Reinhard Mosslinger, graduate student, said.

The production combined the characters' lust and sexuality with a commotion of mistaken identities to portray a musical comedy.

"It was definitely entertaining," Mosslinger said. "A bit lewd, but humoristically so."

Throughout the play, Taylor broke character and included several local references to further interest the audience.

"I thought it was funny how Taylor related a lot of his jokes to Maryville," said Scott Magdziak, undecided major.

One student came to the show not knowing what to expect and was surprised the production made it to Maryville.

"I never expected something of this caliber to come to Northwest," said Jeff Simonson, computer science major. "It was a good show."

When the musical ended, the cast received a standing ovation from the nearly sold out audience.

Taylor displayed his own appreciation to the University by sporting a Bearcat football national championship T-shirt.

"Students that are exhibiting some borderline illegal behavior themselves may choose to head back across the legal border. Clearly this ups the probability that their behavior is going to get caught."

■ Carol Cowles, vice president of student affairs

Campus Safety brings in dog

by Burton Taylor
 University News Editor

A protocol for use of Maryville Public Safety's drug dog was compiled by Campus Safety and University administrators this week.

Carol Cowles, vice president of student affairs, said stipulations need to be made clear to students because of the severity of violations the dog will be assisting Campus Safety inquire about.

"The goal is for students to know that the additional tool is available before it is used," Cowles said.

The use of Public Safety's dog, Candy, will save time, intimidate drug offenders and will assure drug users and traffickers that they now have a higher chance of being caught, Cowles said.

"Students that are exhibiting some borderline illegal behavior themselves may choose to head back across the legal border," Cowles said. "Clearly this ups the probability that their behavior is going to get caught."

She said the University does not have a major drug problem, but the dog is a convenience in certain situations.

The protocol was written by Campus Safety and revised by Uni-

versity administrators, Student Senate and the Residence Hall Association.

"Some things were written in a way that maybe Campus Safety understood what it meant, but those of us who are just regular people you know, were a little confused," Cowles said. "I frankly see this just as much as a deterrent to illegal behavior as I do in terms of it being a benefit to catching people who are involved in illegal behavior."

The two sections of the protocol are "road work" and "internal facilities work." Cowles said the dog will be used if a suspicious incident arises. If a student is asked by Campus Safety to search a room or car, that student can refuse them of that. However, the dog can still sniff the area and be used to provide Campus Safety with probable cause without entering a student's car or dorm room.

Cowles said the University decided to create a policy for students in order to clarify when and why the dog will be used. Students can receive a copy of the protocol from either Campus Safety or the Student Affairs office.

Cowles said it is important that the students realize the dog will not be used for sweeps of buildings

during breaks in the school year. The dog will not be used to patrol campus either, she said.

Keith Wood, director of Public Safety said acts like these are rare and blown out of proportion.

"City Council has expressed some concern because there is a big cloud hanging over (the use of the drug dog)," Wood said.

The dog was used once on campus, which should not have happened because the protocol had not been prepared, Cowles said.

"It was kind of a premature use," Cowles said. "Clearly it was not illegal, and it was not inappropriate. It was just premature."

Clarence Green, director of Campus Safety, said the use of the dog was not a mistake by any means. He said Campus Safety did not request the dog in that particular instance. However, Campus Safety will request the use of the dog in the future.

Green also said the dog will not only take part in assisting Campus Safety, but will also help educate students.

He said that the University is planning to set up an open conference to attend in order to learn about and see how the dog is put to use.

Policy to be discussed

by Wendy Broker
 Assistant Sports Editor

A new law which makes changes to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, or FERPA, is clarifying a university's responsibility to report crime.

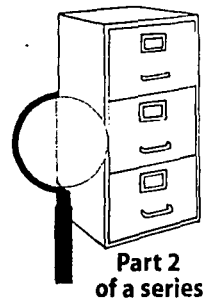
The Campus Security provisions of the Higher Education Law affect the way campus crimes will be reported, statistically in the student handbook and elsewhere. The law requires the outcomes of judicial proceedings in cases of non-forcible sexual assault and crimes of violence to be released to the media and general public.

The largest change to FERPA is included in the definition of a campus crime. Campus crimes will now include those that occur at some off-campus locations such as fraternity houses.

"The law defines campus as both the physical campus and any area occupied by a recognized student organization or student activity," said Carol Cowles, assistant vice president for student affairs. "If something happened at a fraternity house or even the Baptist ministry center, it would be reported to the city to investigate, but it would be reported back to Campus Safety to be put in the statistics."

More categories of reported crimes have also been included under the provisions. Manslaughter and arson have been added to the ranks of reported crimes.

Hate crimes must now be reported by categories of prejudice. Crimes will also be divided into



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four categories: on campus, non-campus that includes fraternity houses and organizational meeting locations, public property and residence halls.

There are several misconceptions about what reportable statistics include, Kent Porterfield, vice president of student affairs, said.

"Crimes only have to be reported, not prosecuted to be included in the statistics," Porterfield said. "And just because something is against University policy doesn't make it a crime statistic. For instance, it's against Northwest policy for someone over 21 to have a beer in their refrigerator in the residence halls, but it won't show up in the statistics."

Past statistics may not show a true picture of the actual crime on campus and efforts are underway to change that, Porterfield said.

"When I took this job a year and a half ago, we questioned that the statistics could really be that low, so we investigated," he said. "Did we err as an institution? Probably. But no one intentionally misrepresented information. We did research and have changed the way things are reported to be more accurate. We want to report accurately so that parents, staff and students know the reality of what is going on safety-wise on campus."

Children benefit from University students

by Stephanie Clarkin
 Chief Reporter



■ Ethan Brown

...assists children with disorders...

Five Northwest students have created a program to help children deal with Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder.

The students are all interested in assisting the children.

"We want to provide these kids with a positive environment where they can express themselves," Ethan Brown, psychology/sociology major and group leader said.

The team includes Alli Thornton, who is also a psychology/sociology major, Chris Zaner, special education major, Angela Dunnaway, education major, and Robyn Clevenger, psychology major.

"Our relationship with the children is unique in that we are not their teachers," Brown said. "We are

a support network there to help them unlock their potential."

The team works well together because their relationship is based on friendship, Brown said.

Children ranging from ages 5 to 15 currently attend the meeting but it is open to anyone who wants to join.

Six children attended the first meeting and by the second the number had doubled. Brown said his goal is to get at least 20 children to attend the program while he is working with it.

"Even though Nodaway County is a small community there are anywhere from 60 to 70 kids diagnosed with ADHD, but that seems really high for a small community," Brown said.

Children diagnosed with ADHD may have problems with concentration, attention span, impulse

control and behavioral and social skills.

These problems do not have to be debilitating and with a little work can be overcome, Brown said.

"I want to help these kids reach their full potential," Brown said. "The main goal of the support group is to help these kids enhance self-esteem and impulse control, while improving social and behavioral skills."

Pediatrician Susan Watson approached the psychology/sociology department looking for students interested in creating a support group for children diagnosed with ADHD.

Brown's younger brother and a nephew were both diagnosed with ADHD. He also did an internship at Cedar Academy, in Bridgeville, Del., which is an institution that specializes in education about ADHD.

Professors work to improve middle school math, science education

by Stephanie Clarkin
 Chief Reporter

Because of the recent results of the Third International Math and Science Study, four Northwest instructors are working on a local approach to improve math and science skills in middle school students.

Cheryl Gregerson-Malm, Christine Benson, Margaret Buerman, all math and statistics assistant professors and Patricia Lucido, chemistry and physics

associate professor, need to develop a proposal in order to submit a formal documentation to get a grant from the National Science Foundation's division of elementary, secondary and informal education.

The grant will fund Promoting, Reasoning and Inquiry in Science and Mathematics, a project which works with fifth through ninth grade teachers to develop instructional skills.

The instructors will ask for \$6,000 per participant, which will cover ex-

penses for distance learning and materials.

"Kids are not learning math the way they're supposed to in competition with kids around the world," said Nancy Baxter, grants director.

Approximately 50 teachers from a 19 county service area will be selected through an application process for the three-year program.

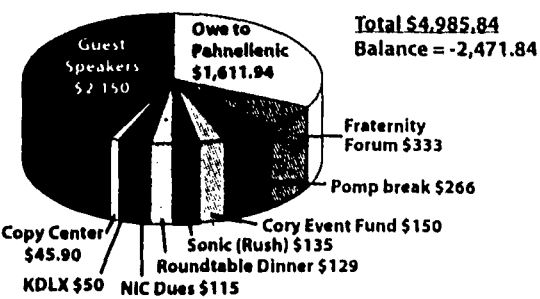
They will work during four weeks over the summer and meet during the school year as well.

Teachers will learn inquiry-based teaching which will allow students to discover the answers to questions instead of just having them listen to lectures.

"There needs to be some changes in the way curriculum is presented, and hopefully working with teachers will help them do this," Gregerson-Malm said.

University president Dean Hubbard supports the four teachers and their project. He said the professors have gone above and beyond their call of duty in their areas of expertise.

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City Council Council accepts water contract

by Josh Flaherty
Chief Reporter

The Maryville City Council approved a plan to resolve territorial and contractual disputes with Public Water Supply District 1, Monday night.

City Manager David Angerer said a contract had been negotiated to resolve disputes over the sale of water in recently annexed or acquired areas in the county.

The city originally entered into a contract to sell water to the Public Water Supply in 1977. The contract gave the city most of the power to control territory annexation.

In 1994, there was a dispute over who would supply water to the Maryville Treatment Center.

Public Water Supply discovered they were under federal protection because federal funds were borrowed to help pay for the establishment of the county water supply system.

Federal law states the boundaries and city limits in 1977 are in effect throughout the life of the 35-year federal bonds.

The new contract resolves the territory disputes. Public Water Supply agreed to transfer control of approximately 2,300 acres of land to the city. Most of the land lies to the east of

town where there is likely to be industrial expansion in the future.

In return for the land, Public Water Supply will be allowed to purchase water from sources other than the city of Maryville, Angerer said.

The city will also pay \$20,000 a year for the next 14 years for the land.

"I know it works for the city, and I think it works for the Public Water Supply too," he said.

Angerer said the new contract is not final.

Public Water Supply has to receive approval from its current creditors on the bonds and from the state Public Service Commission.

The council also approved an ordinance that will allow Mayor Bridget Brown to work with the Maryville Chamber of Commerce to develop a website.

The website will feature links to other sites highlighting community projects and organizations as well as area businesses.

"We're very pleased to be participating in this," Brown said.

Development of youth campgrounds at Mozingo Lake was also approved at the meeting.

The campgrounds will include cabins, primitive camping sites, a dining hall, a boat dock and a swimming beach.

Ministry Center to open

by Sarah Y. Johnson
Missourian Reporter

A non-denominational organization is taking care of some community members by offering free services created by area churches and local volunteers.

The Ministry Center, located in the former Nappa Auto Parts store at 971 S. Main St., is a program organized by area churches. It offers free clothing, groceries and counseling services for Nodaway County residents.

All services provided by the Ministry Center are free of cost. Liz Mandrick, Maryville food pantry coordinator, said it's the concern and kindness of the community that enables the Ministry Center to succeed without charging the people who seek assistance.

"This is a free service," Mandrick said. "This area is very generous with its time and services. The people of this area have been very generous in the past, and I'm sure they'll be very generous in the future."

Since the early 1970s the First Baptist Church and the United Methodist Church have provided the community with donated items. Both churches have outgrown their former building space and have combined their services into one. The Ministry Center also houses an office for Catholic Charities, a professional counseling service from St. Joseph.

"We're excited about being able to increase our services we provide in Maryville, and this is a good way to go about doing it," said Karen Howser, Catholic Charities executive director.

Howser said the counseling center helps a wide array of people, including those with child and adoles-



Beverly Elmore, member of First Christian Church in Maryville, fills boxes of food for needy families at the Ministry Center. The ribbon cutting is Sunday.

cent problems, marriage and family difficulties and mental illnesses.

Catholic Charities also has a birth parent service, which offers aid with medical care, housing, emergency assistance, adoption services and counseling.

The Rev. Mark Albee of the First Baptist Church is the president of the Ministry Center and said the mission statement portrays a clear picture of the duties of the center.

"For the love of God and concern for others, the Ministry Center seeks to provide for the spiritual health and physical well-being of the residents of Nodaway County," Albee said.

He hopes with the help of area churches, those who are in need will be provided for through the Ministry Center.

"I would like to see us be better stewards, as churches, for our community," Albee said.

With a number of people and organizations, in the community working together, those in need will have a place to receive some basic necessities.

"It's a nice opportunity for the churches to combine their resources," Howser said.

Although people are asked only to come once every four weeks and be under the Housing and Urban Development guidelines for poverty to receive groceries, declining those in need is not an option.

"We are not supposed to turn anyone down," Mandrick said. "If someone is low on food, they are welcome to come."

The Ministry Center provides more than just food, clothing, and counseling, it also furnishes cooking pamphlets, spiritual brochures, dish soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste and toothbrushes.

MoDot rejects stoplight

by Jamasa Kramer
Missourian Reporter

Maryville City Council members and others met with two representatives from the Missouri Department of Transportation to discuss traffic control for U.S. Highway 71 and the new Route V intersection on Thursday, Feb. 18.

Six months prior to the meeting, Maryville city officials wrote a letter to the MoDot expressing their concerns for the need of a traffic signal at the location.

The officials said with the construction of the new middle school and subdivisions in the area, a traffic signal is crucial.

After receiving the letter, MoDot conducted traffic studies at the location to determine whether or not the intersection warranted a stoplight. They examined speed and traffic volumes for a 12-hour period, according to state guidelines.

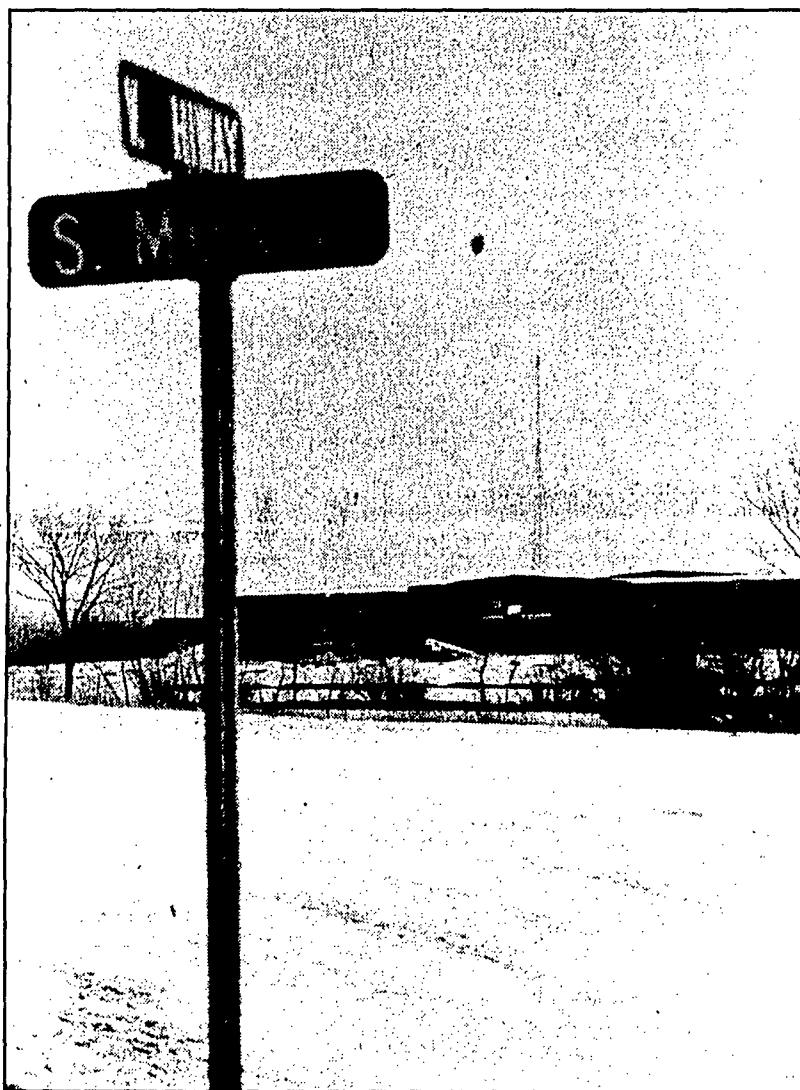
After surveying the area, MoDot reported Maryville does not qualify for a traffic signal at that location.

"If we put in a traffic signal without a warrant and get sued, we will lose," said Hank Crull, MoDot traffic engineer. "If we don't have a warrant and get sued, we can't defend our actions."

Crull said the Department of Transportation is sued often for various reasons. However, if they were to be sued for not putting in a light in Maryville they could defend themselves with the studies which show no need for it.

City Council members requested the meeting with the representatives to gain a better understanding of why the request was denied and to present their case again.

"We had the meeting because we were rejected," Mayor Bridget Brown said. "We wanted to receive an understanding from them as to why we



A proposed traffic light, which would be located near the new middle school site, has been turned down by the Missouri Department of Transportation.

were rejected and seek advice as to what we should do for the future."

Council members expressed their concerns for the possibility of an increase in accidents with the new developments.

But MoDot officials emphasized that installing a signal provides no guarantee.

"Just because we put in a signal doesn't mean we will alleviate accidents," said Shawn Soehren, MoDot traffic operations director.

The Department's research found one accident at the intersection over a five-year period.

Crull said a traffic signal may increase rear end accidents. He said stoplights could even change accident patterns for the worst.

Council members and officials accepted the rejection, but discussed other possibilities for the future.

Crull and Soehren said they would like to explore the possibility of expanding the left turn lane or creating additional lanes.

MoDot will continue to monitor the location periodically and will conduct another traffic survey after the new school is completed.

Board member makes new management plan

by Laurie Den Ouden
Community News Editor

A new management plan is in the making for the Nodaway County Ambulance District in hopes of avoiding any future occurrences like those surrounding the termination of George Duff, former ambulance director.

Duff was dismissed from his duties Dec. 24 as ambulance director because of a breach of personnel policies, according to the Ambulance Board. The controversy stemmed from the way the termination was handled. Duff was not told any specific reasons for being fired.

The Board has discussed the plan introduced by Board treasurer Donald Crane and had one work session Feb. 18. The proposed management system would include

three specific job titles, business, training and operations managers.

A tentative description of these positions was devised by the Board during the work session. The business manager would most likely be an in-house employee who looks after the bookkeeping and secretarial duties, personnel, purchasing and scheduling. The operations manager would keep track of the full-time paramedics, equipment and records, buildings and grounds, and supplies and inventory. The training manager would also be a full-time paramedic who trains all new employees and would be in charge of recertifying the current Rescue Squad members.

Crane said he wants to see a system where there would be an

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Donations make library additions possible

■ Project 2000 receives financial assistance, gifts from private donations of 435,000

by Michelle Murphy
Missourian Reporter

The Maryville Public Library will be undergoing a transformation throughout the year.

The 2000 Project is scheduled to be complete the first part of the year 2000.

After the announcement of the project last April, private donations have been coming in, in order for the library to start additions and renovations.

The library has raised \$453,000 in private donations so far, said library director Diane Houston.

Four bids were open for contractors in December and the Library Board is proceeding with negotiations.

"We have not yet awarded the bid to a contractor," Houston said,

"We've been negotiating with the lowest bidder."

The project is scheduled to begin in early spring.

About 5,300 square feet will be added to the east side of the building, Houston said.

"The addition will help with the collection in the library," Houston said. "For the last 36 years, we've been growing out of this building. With the expansion, it'll allow us to grow."

A portion of the money will go toward renovating the existing building.

For example, the children's section of the library will be remodeled, the computer section will be upgraded and the building will become more handicap accessible.

Houston also said that the addition will also include more bookshelves, a new elevator entrance, a computer area, a reading room, a conference room and renovations of the children's area.

A recent addition to the children's

room is a painting titled "Pippy." The gift was given to Edwyna Michau Forsyth Condon by her granddaughter Elisabeth Condon. Edwyna Condon was on the Library's Board of Trustees from 1978 to 1989.

"Mrs. Condon always admired the painting," Houston said. "Her daughter and granddaughter thought it would be nice to honor her for her years of service to the library."

Phillip Robb, of Hollywood, Calif., gave an undisclosed amount to be used for the conference room in the library in memory of his mother the late Ruth Robb Price.

Price was a long time Maryville resident, and Robb grew up in the town before moving to California.

Houston said verses of poetry that meant a lot to Robb, such as "L.S.R. Allegro" and "Il Penseroso," will be printed on the walls.

"Phillip was very interested in funding the conference room to place it under his mother's honor as a memorial," Houston said.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Daffodil sales raise funds

Daffodil Days, an American Cancer Society fund-raiser, is in progress.

Jeanine Bradley, local chairwoman, said the flowers are a symbol of support for cancer patients as well as a way to celebrate spring.

Daffodils can be ordered before March 4, and will be delivered March 5. Sales will continue March 5 and 6 for any flowers remaining at Hy-Vee, Wal-Mart and on the Northwest campus.

The money raised will go to the Cancer Society for education and services.

The official Daffodil Days are March 7 to 14.

Blood drive seeks donors

Northwest will sponsor a blood drive with the Community Blood Center from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 15 in the Conference Center.

For more information, contact Student Senate at 562-1218.

Families to visit school

Families Are Coming to School, a new program, will have Family Night at 7 p.m. March 4.

It is offered for all families who are interested in sending their children to kindergarten at St. Gregory's in 1999.

Parents and students are invited to visit the kindergarten classroom.

Kindergarten teacher Kathy Wiederholt will show some classroom learning activities and parents will receive information about the school, tour the building and have an opportunity to ask questions. For more information, call the school office at 582-2462.

Local kids win contest

The Maryville Optimist Club announced the winners of the annual Optimist Oratorical Contest.

Abby Jelavich, of St. Gregory's, won the girls' division and Michael O'Riley, of North Nodaway, won the boys' division.

The two will advance to the regional contest at Park Hill High School March 27. The winners will advance to districts and district winners will receive a \$1,500 scholarship.

This year's topic is "Optimism in My Life." The speakers are judged on personal qualities, content, organization, presentation and overall effectiveness.

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PUBLIC SAFETY

Tuesday, Feb. 16

■ Teresa M. Stoll, Ravenwood, was stopped at a red light preparing to make a left turn at East First Street and U.S. Business Highway 71. The light changed and Stoll began to turn as Lova R. Nelson, Hopkins, eastbound on East First Street, entered the intersection and was struck by Stoll. A citation was issued to Stoll for failure to yield. Nelson received probable-not apparent injuries.

■ An officer stopped a vehicle in the 1600 block of North Main Street and, after running a check on it, discovered it had been reported stolen from Maxwell, Iowa. The driver, a 16-year-old male from Maxwell, was also reported as a runaway. He, along with the vehicle, was held for Iowa authorities.

■ Steven R. Roberts, St. Joseph, was northbound on Munn Street and failed to yield to Harry T. Colwell, who was westbound on West First Street. Roberts entered the intersection and was struck by Colwell. A citation was issued to Roberts for careless and imprudent driving.

■ Public Safety received a message from Doniphan County, Kan., of a warrant on Benjamin H. Hihath, 19, Oregon, who was supposed to be in Maryville. Contact was made with Hihath and he was arrested on the warrant. He is being held for bond for Doniphan County.

Wednesday, Feb. 17

■ An officer observed a vehicle at Third and North Main streets accelerate excessively and fail to stop at a red light. The vehicle was stopped and while talking with the driver, Richard T. Gold, 22, Rock Springs, Wyo., an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was arrested for driving while intoxicated after he could not successfully complete field sobriety tests and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued citations for excessive acceleration and failure to stop at a steady red light.

■ Julia E. Ward, Liberty, was southbound on U.S. Highway 71. Thomas M. Brown was northbound on U.S. Highway 71, attempting to turn onto Business 71. Brown stated that Ward was behind another vehicle and he could not see her. Ward made a left turn behind another unknown vehicle and was struck by Ward. A citation was issued to Brown for careless and imprudent driving.

■ An officer observed a male subject in the 400 block of North Buchanan urinating in a parking lot. He was identified as Gregory S. Miller, 36, Savannah, and was issued a summons for indecent exposure.

■ Darrel L. Shanks, Maryville, was parked in the McDonald's parking lot. His vehicle was struck by a driver who then left the scene.

Thursday, Feb. 18

■ An officer made a traffic stop in the 100 block of West First Street and determined the driver, Gregory S. Miller, 36, Savannah, was suspended. While talking with him an odor of intoxicants was detected. He failed to successfully complete field sobriety tests. He refused to give a test of blood alcohol content and

was arrested for driving while intoxicated. He was also issued a citation for driving with a suspended license.

■ Officers were dispatched to the 400 block of West Fifth Street on a complaint of a loud party. Upon arrival, the party was shut down and contact was made with the occupants, who were issued summonses for allowing a peace disturbance. Those issued summonses were Eric D. Zinnert, 21; Christopher E. Zaner, 21; and Christopher S. Bans, 22.

■ Derek W. Dew, Maryville, and Amy G. Shelton, Maryville, were both northbound in the 1000 block of North Main Street. Shelton stopped in traffic and was struck from behind by Dew. A citation was issued to Dew for careless and imprudent driving.

■ An officer received a complaint from a local business that a male subject had attempted to purchase alcoholic beverages with another's identification. Following an investigation, a summons was issued to Joseph N. Roesslein, 19, Maryville, for misrepresentation of age to obtain intoxicants.

Friday, Feb. 19

■ Jacques L. Kiger, Maryville, was eastbound on West First Street, attempting to turn onto Munn Street. Kiger slid on ice as Adam H. Nelson, eastbound on West First Street, crested a hill and observed Kiger. Nelson attempted to stop but because of road conditions could not and struck Kiger. No citations were issued.

Saturday, Feb. 20

■ A Maryville female reported the theft of her 1991 Toyota from the 500 block of South Main Street. She later contacted Public Safety and stated the car had been returned.

■ An officer observed a vehicle fail to stop at a posted stop sign at College Avenue and North Country Club Road. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Matthew R. Kahler, 21, Omaha, Neb. While talking with him an odor of intoxicants was detected. Kahler was arrested for driving while intoxicated after he failed to successfully complete field sobriety tests and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for failure to stop at a posted stop sign.

■ While on patrol in the 1000 block of South Main Street, an officer observed a vehicle pull from a private drive and turn into the oncoming lane of traffic, then swerve back to the lane of travel. The vehicle was stopped and while talking with the driver, Scott C. Meyer, 19, Maryville, an odor of intoxicants was detected. Meyer was arrested for driving while intoxicated after he failed to successfully complete field sobriety tests and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

■ A fire unit responded to the 300 block of North Grand Street on a complaint of a suspicious odor. A check was made for carbon monoxide, but none was detected. It is believed the odor was from running the fireplace.

■ Summonses for minors in possession of alcohol were issued to Julie R. Ash, 18, Kansas City, and Phillip J. Arnone, 18, Kansas City, after they were observed in the area of West Fifth and North Fillmore streets with alcoholic beverages in their possession.

■ Cindy K. Lamme, Maryville, was backing from a private drive in the 800 block of South Buchanan Street when she struck David J. Bond, Ravenwood, who was southbound on South Buchanan Street. Citations were issued to Lamme for careless and imprudent driving and Bond for driving without a valid driver's license, no proof of insurance and failure to comply.

Sunday, Feb. 21

■ An officer made a traffic stop in the 1200 block of North Main Street. After running a check on the driver, Jonnie Englert, 22, Burlington Junction, it was determined there was an active warrant for her from Clay County for passing bad checks. She was released after posting bond.

■ An officer received a report of a hit and run accident at West First and Buchanan streets in which a vehicle had struck another vehicle and then left the scene. After getting information from witnesses and the victim, a male subject was questioned. Charges are pending.

■ Virginia A. Pethoud, Falls City, Neb., and Julie A. Volner, Maryville, were northbound on South Main Street when Volner stopped in traffic and was struck from behind by Pethoud. No citations were issued. Volner and her passenger, Martha Schmitz, Conception Junction, both received probable-not apparent injuries.

Monday, Feb. 22

■ Samuel W. Jameson III, Maryville, was making a turn onto North Munn Street from West First Street and lost control of his vehicle as it slid on ice. Jameson drove over the curb and struck a tree. No citations were issued.

■ Bernard J. Zimmerman, Maryville, was northbound on North Buchanan Street and could not stop at a posted stop sign at West Seventh Street because of snow and ice. Jonathan W. McCubbin, Maryville, was eastbound on West Seventh Street and could not avoid Zimmerman due to snow and ice. No citations were issued.

■ Steve A. Gaskill, Maryville, was eastbound on East South Hills Street and attempted to stop at a posted stop sign but was unable to because of the road conditions. He slid through the stop sign, striking Trenty G. Anderson, King City, who was northbound on South Main Street. No citations were issued.

NODAWAY SHERIFF

Tuesday, Feb. 9

■ A Maryville subject reported trash being dumped on County Road 582. Adam Adwell was arrested for littering and released on a summons.

Friday, Feb. 12

■ A Skidmore subject reported a theft from her vehicle.

Monday, Feb. 15

■ Lisa M. Vidal, 20, St. Joseph, was

arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for failure to appear on charges of stealing and stealing by deceit. She was released after posting bond.

■ Melvin Perkins, 31, Elmo, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for failure to appear on charges of passing bad checks. He was released after posting bond.

Tuesday, Feb. 16

■ A Maryville subject reported property damage to their mailbox.

CAMPUS SAFETY

Campus Safety reports were not available due to computer errors.

NEW ARRIVALS

Courtney Jean Brown

Steven and Linda Brown, Ravenwood, are the parents of Courtney Jean Brown, born Feb. 10 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces and joins one brother, Jordan Scott. Her grandparents are Robert and Kay Scott, Ravenwood; and Dale Brown, Parnell.

Her great-grandparents are C.W. and Linda Douglas, Trenton.

Regan Anthony Meyer

Raymond and Sharon Meyer, Stanberry, are the parents of Regan Anthony Meyer, born Feb. 16 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 8 pounds, 12 ounces and joins two brothers, Garrett and Blake.

His grandparents are Don and Ruth Ann Stoll, Stanberry; and Herman and Cecelia Meyer, Stanberry.

Belanna Alexandria Babb

Patrick and Cindy Babb, Maryville, are the parents of Belanna Alexandria, born Feb. 21 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and joins one brother, Kurt, and one sister, Lydia.

Her grandparents are Donna Black, St. Joseph; Ellis Black, Maryville; Terry and Alice Babb, Cape Coral, Fla.; Dorinda DePriest, Graham; and Ron DePriest, St. Joseph.

Her great-grandparents are Sue Babb, Cassville; Mary Forcade, Graham; and Ruth DePriest, Ottawa, Kan.

OBITUARIES

Mary Zook

Mary Zook, 97, Maryville, died Feb. 21 at Citadel Health Care in St. Joseph.

She was born Dec. 30, 1901, to William and Mary Schmidt in Graham.

Survivors include one daughter, Ruthie Pistole, three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Services were 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville. Burial was at the Maitland Cemetery in Maitland.

Harold Gingrich

Harold Gingrich, 87, Maryville, died Feb. 22 at his home in Maryville.

He was born July 4, 1911, to Edward and Matilda Gingrich in Maryville.

Survivors include his wife, Helen;

one son, Robert; one brother, Dean; four grandsons; one step-granddaughter; one great-grandson and one step-great-grandson.

Services were 10:30 a.m. today at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville. Burial was at the Oak Hill Cemetery in Maryville.

Dorothy Schieber

Dorothy F. Schieber, 79, Maryville, died Feb. 22 at Broadlawn Hospital in Des Moines, Iowa.

She was born March 29, 1919, to John and Catherine Malone in Glenburn, N.D.

Survivors include two daughters, Mary Fielder and JoAnn Loughran; one son, David; one sister, Julia Reidlinger; two brothers, Lawrence and Leonard Malone; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

Services will be 10 a.m. Friday at St. Gregory Barbarigo Catholic Church in Maryville. Burial will be at Mt. Olivet Catholic Cemetery in Kansas City.

Eula Bond

Eula Bond, 83, Skidmore, died Feb. 23 at the Parkdale Manor Nursing Home in Maryville.

She was born July 20, 1915, to Thornton and Sarah Acklin near Graham.

Survivors include two sons, Gayle and Roger Bond; one sister, Lola Eden, two grandchildren, one great-grandson and many nieces and

nephews.

Services will be 2 p.m. Friday at the Graham Methodist Church. Burial will be at the Prairie Home Cemetery in Graham.

IN THE COURTS

Judge Andrews

■ Aaron Mick was in court on a motion in which he had restitutions totaling \$197.06. He was ordered to make restitution in that amount to the victim.

■ Windy Metcalf admitted to a violation of her probation by failing to make restitution payments. The court ordered her to continue probation on the conditions that she pay \$50 a month restitution and complete 30 hours of public service a week until employed.

■ Angela Waller admitted violation of probation by failure to pay restitution as directed. The court continued her probation on the condition that she pay full restitution by April 1.

Judge Dietrich

■ William Grace waived his right to preliminary hearing in connection with a charge of failure to submit himself on transportation to prison. He is directed to appear in front in court on March 8 for arraignment.

AMBULANCE

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interaction of more than one or two people making decisions concerning the Ambulance District.

"I would like to see it go to more of a teamwork, team management system instead of dictatorship, where you've got a group of people making the decision," he said.

Crane also said this system would allow more accountability. He said

an example would be in the area of purchasing.

The proposed system would require one person to verify the need of the item requested, getting quotes and choosing the lowest price, as well as three signatures from the business, operations and training managers.

The Board will have another session March 4. Board president Ross Johnson said he hopes to work out the details and vote on the plan at the regular meeting March 10.

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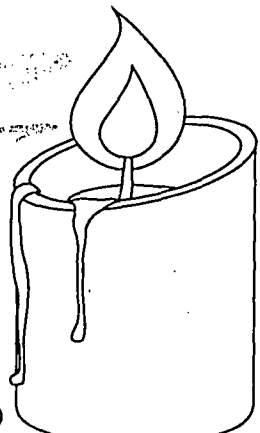
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Northwest alumna joins Peace Corps in Africa

by Jackie Tegen
Contributing Reporter

With a degree from Northwest newly framed, Sarah Elliott, a 1997 journalism/geography graduate, set out in a different educational direction.

Her destination was a country with a different lifestyle — Africa.

She knew a decision about her future had to be made following graduation. She toyed with the idea of graduate school but decided on substitute teaching in Kansas City. Things changed five months later when she made it through the Peace Corps selection process and began a two-year commitment of volunteer work in Togo, a small country in Western Africa.

"I could be at home and get a job and work and have electricity and eat really good food, but I wouldn't be any better off than when I graduated," Elliott said.

After a few months of training, she was dropped off at her post. Her nearest volunteer neighbor is 50 miles away and Elliott is the only white person in the village.

The culture in Bidjab'e village, where Elliott resides, was as hard to get used to as her living arrangements. Her home is a three room mud hut with a hallway that runs from the front to the back of the hut.

A bathing area is provided outside where Elliott takes "bucket showers." There is no phone in her village, no running water and no electricity.

"Actually, no running water is not a big deal," Elliott said. "I thought that would be the biggest deal, taking cold, bucket showers, but it wasn't."

Learning the language to communicate with the people proved to be the biggest struggle.

Although French is the predominant language of the village, Elliott had only two years of high school French when she arrived in Bidjab'e.

But even with the frustration of being a stranger in a different land, a lesson is consistently being taught to Peace Corps volunteers.

"There is no way for someone going in (to Peace Corps) that they can imagine what they will come away with," Russell Stone, Peace Corps recruitment representative, said. "Two years can promote the growth of wanting to continue aid in other countries, or it can make a person appreciate where they come from."

Elliott said six months in Togo has taught her several things, but the journey is just beginning.

"It's too early to tell what the greatest lesson I'm learning is," Elliott said. "But I have learned to become a patient person and to appreciate being an American. We have

rights, especially women — basic rights that I took for granted, and I think a lot of people do."

Her duties include training people in the village. Working together, they attempt projects such as soil protection, planting and creating compost piles.

"I'm there to train people in taking care of their environment a little better," Elliott said.

After Elliott's two years with Peace Corps, she hopes to continue her education in graduate school, but knows her time in Africa is something she won't forget.

A brief visit home brought this lesson to the forefront. Shopping at Kmart was almost too much for Elliott to handle.

"I went in Kmart and I about lost it," Elliott said. "I went into sensory overload. There were so many things you could buy, I couldn't handle it and had to leave."

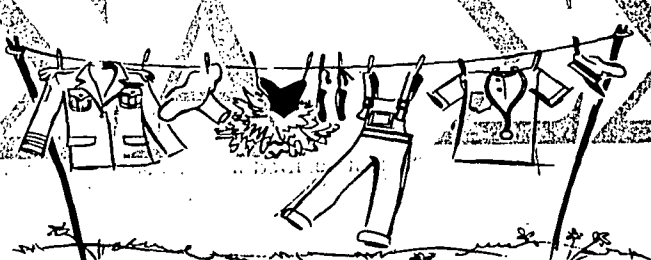
All the adjustments in Elliott's life proved to her that going the road less traveled has its benefits.

"It has been very difficult," Elliott said. "But I would categorize it as a positive experience. It's not for everyone and you have to set your mind to do it. It will probably be the most rewarding thing I will ever do. I've learned so much that I don't even realize, and I still have a long way to go."



Northwest graduate Sarah Elliott poses with a family in the African village of Bidjab'e. Elliott, a 1997 journalism/geography graduate, joined the Peace Corps after graduation and is doing volunteer work in Togo, a small country in Western Africa.

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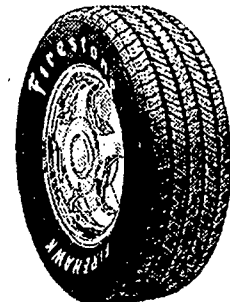
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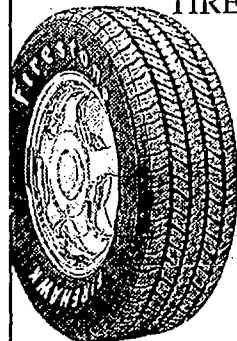
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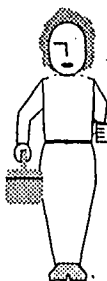
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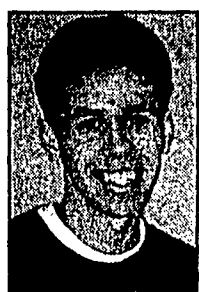
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SPORTS

Track teams qualify
2 men for nationals,
break record page 2

ON THE SIDELINES

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prove to be
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How about that pro wrestling last Thursday night?

Now, I'm not one bit of a pro wrestling fan. No offense to those that have their dorm room walls plastered with posters of pro wrestlers and drool over people like Diamond Dallas or the Nitro Girls. But with me, pro wrestling falls into the same category as idiotic crazes like "The Jerry Springer Show" and "Beavis and Butthead."

Still, when Northwest announced it was bringing in a pro wrestling circuit, I had a feeling it was going to be a cultural event of the ages. I could not pass up the opportunity to see what this hype was all about, and I gotta admit, I had a blast.

For those of you that didn't attend this illustrious event, you missed a doozy. It was interesting to see what some Northwest students and alumni are getting involved in these days.

Yet my personal, I'll-never-forget-it favorite was the midjets. And thanks to a colleague of mine, an autographed picture of one of the midjets now hangs on my wall. I thought that day would never come.

It was just as fun to watch the diverse group of people that showed up at Bearcat Arena for the rumble — and we thought the Bearcats' national championship brought the community together.

There were young and old at the spectacle. It was obviously a good "date" event as I observed several couples in the audience. Moms were holding young kids up so they could catch a glimpse of the action. And there were scruffy, older men hanging out together for a little fun, probably before heading out to the bars.

Even more funny was watching the various reactions of Northwest coaches who were sprinkled throughout the crowd. Men's basketball assistant coach Chris Johnson had to be one of the most vocal people in the arena. I think I know now how he gets his sideline voice in shape for the basketball season.

And off to the side of the arena were athletic director Jim Redd and head football coach Mel Tjeerdsma. The two were all smiles and enjoying the event to its fullest. But I had to chuckle a couple of times when I saw their eyes roll. After all, this whole thing was probably fairly new to them. It wasn't a bad thing, it was just funny. Especially when Big Daddy Fullz threw his opponent onto a table at ringside. The table broke in half and crashed to the floor. Then, Redd just laughed and looked away.

Ah yes, it was quite a night for Northwest. Let's do it again some time. Speaking of great nights — Monday evening wasn't so bad either.

Fortunately for *The Missourian* sports section and anything else depending on the team advancing in the tournament, the 'Cats came back from a seven-point deficit to miraculously beat Washburn University.

Then, the 'Cats pulled out another one Wednesday night at Missouri Western. In addition, it was great to see such great support for the team in St. Joseph. There were community members and students alike, including members of the women's basketball team. And the football team returned from its capitol visit just in time.

See ya in Kirksville Friday night, Bearcats.

Mark Hornickel is the sports editor for *The Northwest Missourian*.

'Cats win thriller, will face Truman State

by Mark Hornickel
Sports Editor

Riding the emotion of a down-to-the-wire victory over Washburn University Monday night, the 'Cats found themselves in another thriller Wednesday night.

In a game that was decided by free throws, Northwest pulled out the win and earned the right to play for the MIAA Tournament Championship at 7 p.m. Friday in Kirksville.

The 'Cats traveled to St. Joseph and upset the No. 1-seeded Missouri Western State College Griffons, 82-74, in the semifinal round of the MIAA Postseason Tournament.

"Just a great game," head coach Steve Tappmeyer said. "We had an awful lot to play for because we go home if we don't win. It just really spoke to the fact that the players want to keep playing. They gave a lot of heart tonight and I'm just proud of our players."

Northwest took as much as a 71-59 lead with 2:29 remaining in the contest. But the Griffons were relentless and cut the lead to 73-68 with 1:04 left.

With 38 seconds remaining, the ball was stolen away from senior forward LeVent Williams and the two teams tangled for possession. When the ball was tipped out of bounds, the call went in Northwest's favor. However, the 'Cats failed to inbound the ball and Missouri Western took possession.

After a Northwest foul, senior guard Jessie James hit one of two free throws to close the gap, 76-71 with 26 seconds left. Yet Northwest answered the comeback bid again and pulled away on free throws by Williams and junior guard Phil Simpson.

Missouri Western added a three-pointer with eight seconds left, but it was too late and Williams capped the victory with a dunk as time ran out.

In the moments after the game, senior guard Maurice Huff, who put in 26 points for the 'Cats, was lifted into the air by his teammates and the victory celebration began at center court.

Now, Northwest will look to the championship game against Truman State University Friday. Truman knocked off the No.

Northwest 82
Mo. West 74

TOP SCORERS

Northwest:
LeVent Williams,
27
Mo. West: Randy
Dickerson, 22

program after a game when you're all fired up," Tappmeyer said. "I think when it will really show is if we can take care of business on Friday. Then, it will show how big of a win this is. It's a big win, I think, because our guys showed a lot of character. I was proud of the effort and you got the rivalry factor. You got all those things, and off of getting beat a couple of times, so it's a huge win with those things."

Free throws were undoubtedly a key factor in the game as Northwest made 28 of 30 free throws. Meanwhile Missouri Western made 24 of 37.

"We had good free throw shooters that went to the line," Tappmeyer said. "Most of our guys can shoot the free throws, but Maurice Huff, LeVent Williams are both good free throw shooters. (Senior guard) Marcus Glenn ended up shooting some free throws. They went for the majority of them. (Senior forward) Matt Redd got a few and he's a good free throw shooter. Twenty-eight out of 30 is just good regardless of who you put at the line, but we had good shooters that went to the line also."

Also playing a key factor in the game was junior guard Kareem Preston. He scored just seven points, but put in a great defensive effort, Tappmeyer said.

"He was solid," Tappmeyer said. "He definitely had some big buckets and some big plays and then the defensive battle with Jessie James. He's an outstanding player and Kareem made him work for almost everything he got. I think that was important."



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Editor

Junior guard Kareem Preston charges down the court with Griffons' senior guard Jessie James on his heels. Preston scored seven points in the 'Cats 82-74 victory in St. Joseph Wednesday.

Women close out season, lose to Griffons

by Shannon Ross
Missourian Reporter

The Northwest women's basketball team played its final game of the 1998-1999 season against Missouri Western State College on Saturday, ending with a 94-69 loss.

The 'Cats lineup suffered, having starting junior point guard Amanda Winters missing due to illness. Red-shirt freshman BryAnn Cook stepped in and handled the ball well without having any turnovers, assistant coach Christy Prather said.

In the first half, the Bearcats shot 54 percent from the field, but it was not enough to keep the Lady Griffons from having a 51-28 lead at the end of the half.

Junior forward Brandi Grigsby-Shannon led the team with 19 points. Junior center Denise Sump contributed 15 points and seven rebounds to the 'Cats' effort. Junior guard Liza Gualandi and sophomore forward Amy Coy came off the bench and added 11 and 10 points, respectively for Northwest.

"Brandi played the best defense I have ever seen her play on Saturday," Prather said. "Her defensive assignment was senior guard Becky Reichard who normally averages over 20 points a game, but with Grigsby-Shannon's defense she only scored 10 points."

This season was a disappointing one for the women's basketball team, which ended with a record of 10-16 overall and 4-12 in the MIAA.

"We have many talented players," Prather

Northwest 69
Mo. West 94

TOP SCORERS

Northwest:
Brandi Grigsby-
Shannon, 19
Mo. West: LaKiya
Miller, 29

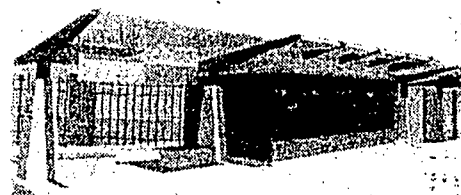
guard this season, but she is more of a shooting guard."

The Bearcats hope to use this season as a building block for next year.

"The team now has a year of playing together with each other under their belts, and each one of them knows a bit more of what to expect in the MIAA," Prather said. "With that we hope to prepare ourselves for a better season next year."

Next year was a subject of discussion after the Missouri Western game.

"In the locker room after the game, the team and the coaches talked about how each year has a distinct team, and even if you lose you still can learn from it and grow together," junior guard Becky Wheeler said. "So next year we hope to take our learnings and improve our performance."



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This sketch shows the proposal for the southeast entry to Rickenbrode Stadium.

Regents
approve
stadium
renovationsby Mark Hornickel
Sports Editor

The Board of Regents approved financing Monday that will allow Northwest to make renovations to Rickenbrode Stadium. With the funding, the University will proceed with improvements in the first two phases of the project.

"I'm elated," athletic director Jim Redd said. "I'm excited. I appreciate the support of the entire university community, students, faculty and staff, alumni. It's a tremendous vote of confidence from our Board of Regents to proceed with this expansion."

Construction on phase one will begin in May 1999. The project includes a new entry on the southeast corner of the stadium. A decorative rod-iron fence will also be constructed. The fencing unit will feature brick columns to match the exterior of Lamkin Activity Center and will be moved approximately 30 feet to the south in line with the front of Lamkin.

A new entry way and ticket booth will also be constructed at the southwest corner of the stadium. Both ticket booths will be computerized and landscaping will be added to the south end of the stadium.

Funding was also approved for construction of phase two. However, some of the architectural planning and construction bidding still has to take place, Redd said.

Phase two includes restructuring the bleachers on the student and visitors' side. The seating area will be increased and will include concession areas and restrooms on the east side of the stadium.

The construction of phase two is tentatively scheduled to start in January 2000.

The renovations will be funded by refinancing bonds which were used in 1993 to build the recreation center and upgrade Lamkin and will generate about \$3 million for the project.

"The stadium expansion will not only benefit our football program, but our track and field as well as possibilities for other outdoor activities in the future."

Although funding for a phase three was not voted on by the board, the University will begin to develop concepts for the west side of the stadium, Redd said.

Loss to Lafayette ends girls' '98-'99 stint

by Blake Drehle
Chief Reporter

Seven seniors on the Maryville girls' basketball team saw their career come to an end Wednesday night at the 3A District 16 Tournament in Smithville, as the No. 6 seed Spoofhounds lost 37-32 to No. 3 seed Lafayette Fighting Irish.

The 'Hounds, who defeated the Irish on the road last Friday night, 48-36, were able to keep the game close with tough defense, but missed opportunities offensively, which hurt the team. Senior forward Erin Heflin lead Maryville, scoring 14 points.

"They have a lot of people that can score and we struggled offensively, scoring only 30 points, which isn't acceptable," head coach Jeff Martin said.

The game symbolized the 'Hounds' trouble scoring points that was present throughout the season, Martin said.

"Tonight's game summarized how typical the season had gone," Martin said. "When it came down to the critical situations we were unable to score the points we needed to."

The 'Hounds came out fired up to give the Irish a good game and they did, but things did not work the way they planned, senior guard Stephanie Duncan said.

"We were ready to play as good as we could, but our offense hurt when we needed to score," Duncan said.

Maryville 32
Lafayette 37

TOP SCORERS

Maryville: Erin
Heflin, 14
Lafayette: Katie
Salanky, 29

remember winning the Nodaway County Tournament because they were only the second team in school history to accomplish that."

It was disappointing for Duncan to see the season end, but she said the team played hard and gave a good effort.

"The first emotion that came to us was disappointment, but there was also a lot of other emotions the team felt that is hard to describe," she said. "We did the best we could and I feel good about a winning season and winning the Nodaway Tournament."

Martin said the 'Hounds should be able to rebuild, despite the loss of seniors.



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Editor

Maryville's Hailey Lawyer tries to hang on to the ball as Lafayette's Amanda Sprague attempts to strip it during the 'Hounds' loss in the district tournament Wednesday.

State wrestling

Grapplers travel to state competition, turn season around after tough start

by Blake Drehe
Chief Reporter

A season that started with inexperience and question marks ended solidly last weekend for the Maryville wrestling team at the Missouri State High School Activities Championship Tournament.

Five Maryville wrestlers made the trip to Columbia, which surprised head coach Joe Drake, after the uncertainties that faced the team at the beginning of the season.

"We were happy with the overall amount of wrestlers that represented us at state. At the beginning of the year there was a lot of changes made to the lineup due to the lack of experience," Drake said.

The Spoofnounds began the tournament by losing their first three matches.

Senior Justin Dredge (112 lbs.) was pinned in 2:56 by the eventual state champion, junior Nathan Goetz of Higginsville High School in the first match of the day.

Dredge wrestled in the first round of wrestling on Friday losing to sophomore Brad Ragan of Principia High School, 11-4.

Being able to qualify for state for the first time was a great accomplishment Dredge said, although he could not achieve his main goals.

"It was a good experience to go to state and be able to see some of the top wrestlers compete in my weight class," Dredge said. "I wish I could have done better in my matches even though I had a good chance of winning the wrestlingback. I just got

too tired and let my opponent come back on me at the end."

Freshman Kenneth Hanna (125 lbs.) was the second 'Hound to go down when he was pinned by junior Travis Minor of Pleasant Hill High in 1:32.

Hanna wrestled in just one match at state, but he was pleased with the outcome of his season and going to state as a freshman.

"For a freshman, I had a pretty good year. Hopefully with the experience I picked up this year I will be able to qualify for state again, which won't be as scary," Hanna said.

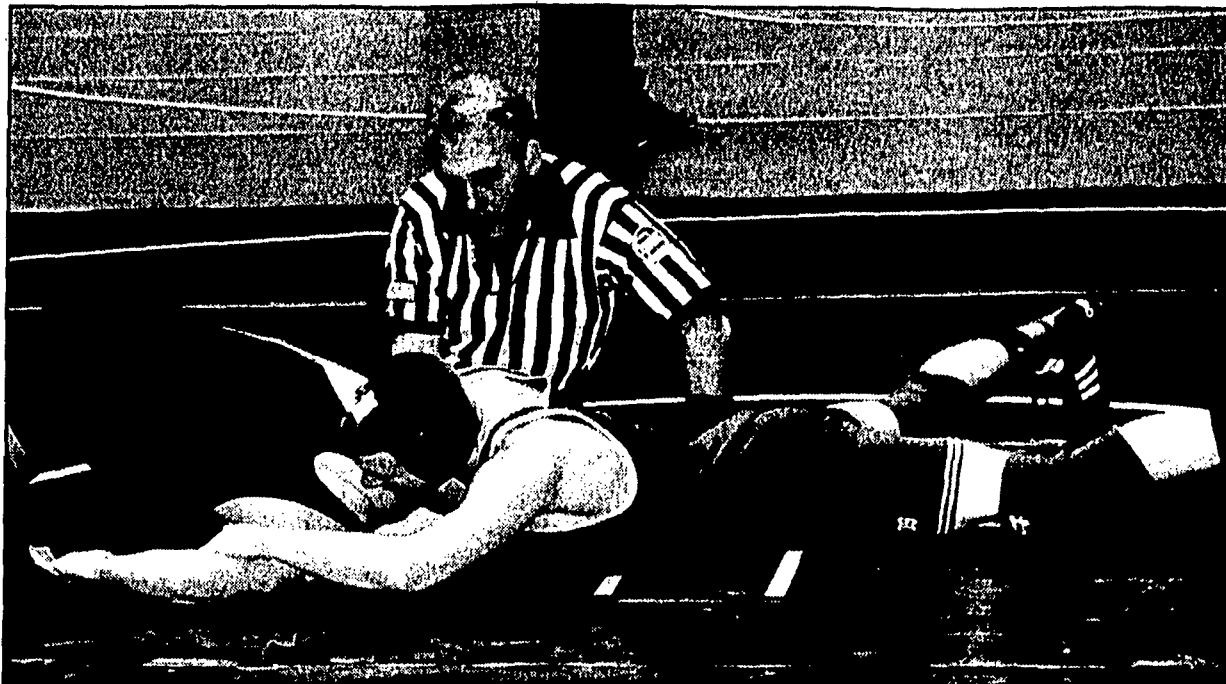
Disaster struck Maryville in the next match when senior D.J. Merrill (140 lbs.) suffered a shoulder injury. His opponent, senior Jamey Alexander of Oak Grove High School took the match by technical fall.

Things turned around for the 'Hounds in the last two matches of the first day when junior Eric Beacom (152 lbs.) pinned junior Justin Durel of Mary Institute/Country Day in 4:27.

Sophomore Jesse Reed (189 lbs.) finished for Maryville with a 2:31 pin on sophomore Chris Pohlmann of Owensville High School.

Neither grappler could keep up the winning streak for the 'Hounds in the quarterfinals on Friday. Beacom lost to the third place qualifier, senior Darren Mackey of Odessa High School, 13-4, while Reed was pinned in 19 seconds by eventual state champion, senior Josh Wilson of Pleasant Hill.

However, the two wrestlers came



back to win their first round of wrestling.

Beacom was awarded a 15-9 decision against senior Brandon Lubke of Warsaw High School, while Reed defeated sophomore Caleb VanDyke of Marceline High School.

In the second round of wrestling, Beacom was pinned in 2:10 by sophomore Kennen Hager of Higginsville, before Reed pinned junior Jason Ridgel of Centralia High School in 3:16 to continue on.

On the final day of competition, Reed was pinned in 1:52 by third place winner, senior Gabe Middleton of Smithville High School, before losing the fifth place match of the tournament to junior Danny Fields of Brookfield High School in 54 seconds.

Having the opportunity to wrestle at state as a sophomore was pleasing to Reed, who like Hanna knows making it back next year means he will have to work harder.



(Top) Junior Eric Beacom pinned his opponent Justin Durel, Mary Institute/Country Day junior, in 4:27 on the first day of state competition. Beacom was beaten Friday in the quarterfinal round. (Above) Sophomore Jesse Reed pinned his opponent in 2:31 on the first day of competition.

Baseball team begins season

by Mark Hornickel
Sports Editor

Northwest will open its baseball campaign with a four-game swing this weekend.

The Bearcats will travel to Ft. Myers, Fla., and begin the season with a pair of games against Salem Teikyo Friday. On Saturday, the 'Cats will face Salem Teikyo at 11 a.m. before taking on College of St. Rose at 1:30 p.m.

Northwest finished 22-18 in 1998, but has high hopes for this season, head coach Jim Johnson said.

"We are much farther ahead this

season than in years past based on two big factors: the weather and our personnel," Johnson said. "We have been able to practice outside for three weeks because of the favorable weather conditions, and our players have responded well. This has been a big advantage for us."

Northwest bolstered its lineup during the offseason with the acquisition of several players. Freshman Ben Heavilin and junior Trevor Webster will provide the 'Cats lineup with some left-handed hitting and depth at first base.

A trio of middle infielders will add depth as well. Juniors Chad Basler,

Nathan Tutt and Cam King could each see time at the second base and shortstop positions.

In addition, freshman Zac Barron, junior Matt Vleisides and junior Brent White will help the 'Cats in other positions.

After finishing second in the MIAA in pitching last year, the Northwest hurlers are looking to repeat their performance this year. In 1998, the 'Cats threw for a combined ERA of 5.96 in 305 innings of pitching, while striking out 205 batters.

The 'Cats first home game is scheduled for 1 p.m. March 5 against Wayne State University.

Men place 4th in finale, relay team sets record

by Wendy Broker
Assistant Sports Editor

The MIAA conference championship marked the end of the Bearcat indoor track teams' seasons, and they ended on a positive note.

The men's team fell short of achieving its goal of finishing in the top three teams overall, taking fourth, but qualified two men for nationals in the process.

Junior Matt Abele and sophomore Tucker Woolsey provisionally qualified for the NCAA Division II Championships.

Abele qualified in the long jump, while placing first in the event and beating a personal record by over a foot. He also provisionally qualified in the 400-meter run, during his preliminary heat of the event.

Woolsey qualified in the shot put, while taking second with a throw that topped his best performance by nearly three feet.

Other top performances for the 'Cats came from the 4x800-meter relay team, which placed second, and third place finishes from sophomore Joe Glab in the shot put, sophomore Frank Taylor in the high jump, sophomore Jimmy Rambur in the 5,000-meter run and junior Varick Dabney in the 400-meter run.

Men's head coach Rich Alsop said there were high and low points of the two-day meet in Warrensburg.

"We had some pretty interesting individual performances, and we

placed one place higher than we did last year," Alsop said. "We got a lot of people into the finals, but we had a bad day in the finals. We could have competed better the second day. We will just keep plugging and not be satisfied."

On the women's side, tough competition didn't stop the 'Cats from reaching all but one of their team goals at the MIAA conference meet.

The women placed beneath their top five goal, at sixth, but had a good showing from younger team members.

"We are pleased with the overall outcome, taking into consideration that the majority of our points were scored by freshmen and sophomores," women's head coach Vicki Wootton said. "I am impressed with the strength and competitiveness the underclassmen showed in their first two-day meet, which was very competitive."

Sophomore Jill Stanley led the way for the team, finishing second in the high jump despite an injured I.T. band in her knee.

Freshman April House added a third-place finish in the long jump and a fifth-place finish in the 200-meter dash to the 'Cats effort.

The highlight of the weekend for the women was the performance of the 4x800-meter relay team. The team of House, freshmen Jill Robinson, Andrea Conover and sophomore Keely Barnett broke the Northwest record in the event.

WEEKLY PLANNER

FEB. 25-MARCH 4



MEN'S BASKETBALL

Friday Truman State 7:00

BASEBALL

Friday Salem Teikyo (DH) 11:00
Saturday Salem Teikyo 11:00
Saturday College of St. 1:30
Rose
Wednesday Rockhurst 2:00



BOYS' BASKETBALL

Thursday Benton 7:30
Saturday District TBA
Tournament

All times are p.m. unless noted.
Home games are bold.

MEN'S MIAA FINAL STANDINGS

	MIAA W	L	Overall W	L
1-Mo. West (13)	14	2	22	5
2-Pitt State (10)	14	2	24	3
3-Truman	12	4	20	6
4-Washburn	11	5	20	10
5-Northwest	8	8	18	9
6-Mo. Southern	7	9	11	16
7-Rolla	6	10	12	15
8-Central	6	10	14	14
SBU	5	11	12	14
Lincoln	3	13	6	20
Emporia	2	14	10	16

() - NABC/Division II bulletin ranking

MWSC and PSU shared MIAA Regular Season Championship

MIAA Tournament
First Round - Monday, Feb. 22
(1) Mo. West 95, (8) Central 60
(2) Pitt State 88, (7) Rolla 56
(3) Truman 74, (6) Mo. Southern 71
(5) Northwest 69 (4) Washburn 66
Semifinals - Wednesday, Feb. 24
(5) Northwest 82, (1) Mo. West 74
(3) Truman 76, (2) Pitt State 74
Championship - Friday, Feb. 26
(5) Northwest @ (3) Truman 7 p.m.

WOMEN'S MIAA FINAL STANDINGS

	MIAA W	L	Overall W	L
1-Emporia (5)	15	1	25	2
2-Mo. West (12)	13	3	24	3
3-SBU	11	5	21	6
4-Pitt State	11	5	19	8
5-Truman	10	6	20	7
6-Central	9	7	17	10
7-Washburn	9	7	17	10
8-Rolla	4	12	10	17
Northwest	4	12	9	17
Mo. Southern	2	14	6	20
Lincoln	0	16	4	22

() - NABC/Division II bulletin ranking
ESU clinched second straight MIAA Regular Season Championship

MIAA Tournament
First Round - Tuesday, Feb. 23
(1) Emporia 98, (8) Rolla 58
(2) Mo. West 71, (7) Washburn 57
(6) Central 55, (3) SBU 54
(5) Truman 71, (4) PSU 64
Semifinals - Thursday, Feb. 25
(5) Truman @ (1) Emporia
(6) Central @ (2) Mo. West

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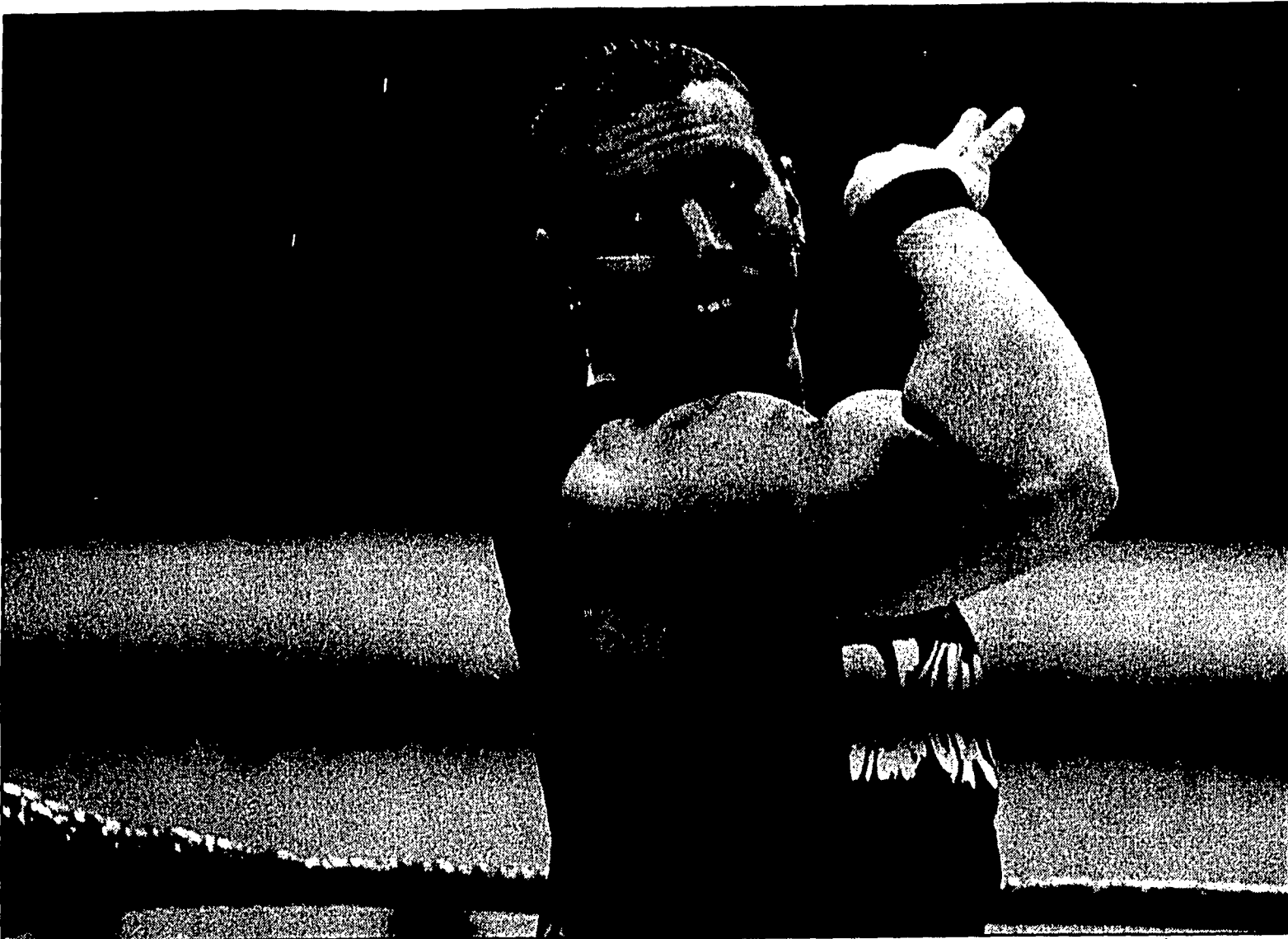
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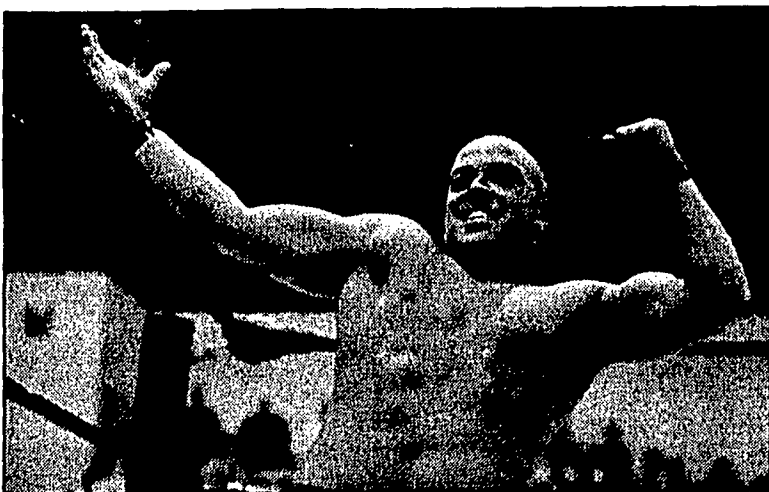


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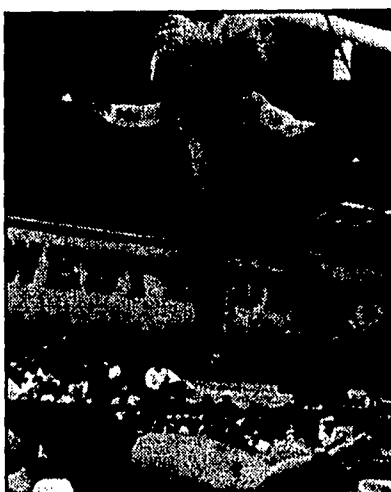
Professional wrestler Anthony "Ace" Bowen, above, shows off a little muscle to the crowd at Bearcat Arena Thursday night. Ace won his match by a pin in the 25 minute time period.

Rob "Rock Hard" Galloway, far left, strikes a pose for the fans after pinning his opponent, the Psychotic Sandman.

A flying midget takes off from the top rope and slams his opponent. The midget wrestlers gave a comical and entertaining look at the sport of professional wrestling.



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Boys advance, defeat Generals

by Blake Drehle
Chief Reporter

The 3A District 16 basketball tournament is in full swing for the No. 2-seed Maryville boys basketball team, which defeated the No. 7-seed Tarkio Academy Generals, 58-48, in first round action Tuesday night.

The victory comes after the Spoofhounds closed out the year undefeated at home with a 65-48 victory over Lafayette last Thursday night to finish the regular season 21-4 overall and 5-2 in the Midland Empire Conference.

With Tuesday's win the 'Hounds will compete against the No. 3-seed St. Joseph Benton Cardinals at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Smithville.

There will be no love loss going into this game for either team, which met twice during the season with both victories going to Maryville.

"The last two games were tight and the point difference was close with the exception of one quarter," head coach Mike Kuwitezky said. "So we know we are going to have another physical match-up."

Senior guard Adam Otte, who was second for the 'Hounds scoring 11 points Tuesday night, said the game will have a lot of meaning to it because neither team wants to finish their season just yet.

"This will be a good game," Otte said. "They played us tough in the two games prior to districts and they are wanting the victory just as bad as we are."

The day off will help the 'Hounds prepare for Benton, Kuwitezky said. "We have one day to prepare and practice for Benton, which should motivate us on wanting to win this game more," he said.

Tuesday's game against Tarkio Academy was a slow start for Maryville, who only led 8-6 at the end of the first quarter before breaking out in the second to take a 28-16 halftime lead.

Senior center Ryan Morley helped Maryville pick up momen-



Mike Ransdell/Photography Editor.
'Hounds senior Dan Walter blows by Antonio G. Walter finished the Tuesday game with six points.

tum in the second half when the 'Hounds started with an 11-4 run to begin the third quarter. Morley led Maryville with 19 points.

Tarkio kept the game up tempo with the scoring of guard Antonio G., who scored 22 points.

"We played a little sluggish and the intensity wasn't as high as it has been in recent games, but we know we have to keep playing harder if we want to continue on," Kuwitezky said. "We were able to play good during several stretches that helped us win and advance to the second round."

Being focused for the game was a problem for the 'Hounds, but the team never took the Generals lightly going into the contest, Otte said.

"We never underestimated the talent of Tarkio Academy," he said. "It was just one of those things where we had trouble putting in a complete team effort."

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



■ Matt Abele

Northwest junior Matt Abele provisionally qualified for the NCAA Division II Championships in the long jump and the 400-meter run, during the conference meet.

Abele qualified in the 400 with a time of 48.93 during his preliminary heat of the event. He finished sixth in the finals.



■ Erin Heflin

Maryville High School senior forward Erin Heflin was the leading 'Hounds' scorer with 14 points in their loss to the Lafayette Fighting Irish Wednesday.

Heflin also helped the team to its second straight winning season, and helped Maryville win the school's second Nodaway County Tournament victory.

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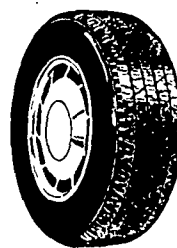
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It took six columns, and boat loads of insight, but it finally happened. You spoke out in droves. I received calls, letters, even e-mail expressing your opinions concerning my brilliance last week. I struck a nerve amongst young and old alike. "More Stroller," you shouted. "Why was the column so short?" you asked with great disappointment.

Well friends, I'd like to say it was my idea to put that muscle-head's music review under my column. Indeed it was not.

However, when the boss came to me and said, "Stroller," — that's actually what he calls me. It's creepy. — "Stroller, this young writer needs a home for his music review." Of course, I obliged. Condensing my genius into a few concise lines is not easy, but understand readers, I do it for the journalistic youth. (Paid for by Citizens for the Stroller.)

Last week was an uneventful one for me. Of course, the snow has returned which means a great deal of time in front of the television. I never realized the kind of mind-melting programming that comes across a TV screen.

What's with the Trinity Broadcasting Network? For those of you that are unclear, that's the Bible-thumping, fanatical channel 19. I think they might curb the snickering 10-fold if they'd dump the lady with pink hair. It never ceases to amaze me that people would actually sit and watch a weepy old woman belting out gospel hymns for an hour.

And don't get me started on the guy that looks like Mr. Rork. Folks, if you believe that your illness can be healed by someone smacking you on the forehead, save the 50 bucks those seminars cost and give me a call. For a five spot I'll smack you around and give you an Advil afterward.

Sad news for film review buffs after the death of Gene Siskel. I made sure to catch the show last weekend just to see what they'd do about the tragedy.

Man, is Roger Ebert screwed. I mean, he's made all his cash on the "two thumbs-up" gig. Now what? What's the show going to be called, "Hey look... it's Ebert"? Pack your bags, Roger, there's only one use for your thumb now.

Network programming has gotten just as uncomfortable to watch with the advent of

news magazine shows like Dateline NBC, 48 Hours, and 20/20. These shows used to be featured exclusively on weekends.

Now, prime-time is drenched with them. You have no choice but to watch when the commercials slap you in the face with statements like, "Eggs, have you ever eaten them? Well, you'll be sorry after Stone Phillips tells you why you're going to die! Dateline, Tuesday on NBC."

What'd he say? Eggs? I love eggs! I'd better watch. Only after watching the show do you learn that some guy in Idaho died last year after ingesting two-dozen raw eggs and trying to scramble himself. It's ridiculous.

I actually saw a report a few months ago on money. "Money — you use it every day. But do you know what's on it?" No, I don't. Nor do I care. Still, I watched as a team of scientists scrutinized cash under a microscope. Their findings? Bacteria and traces of cocaine. So what have we learned here? Don't lick money. Thanks, real helpful there, slim.

Have you seen the WB yet? If you're between 8 and 25 years old, chances are you have. If you've got a girlfriend, I KNOW you have.

Here's a network with a simple concept — hot, young people with tight shirts or no shirts at all. Brilliant! It's like a workout video with a plot. A weak plot, but nonetheless a plot.

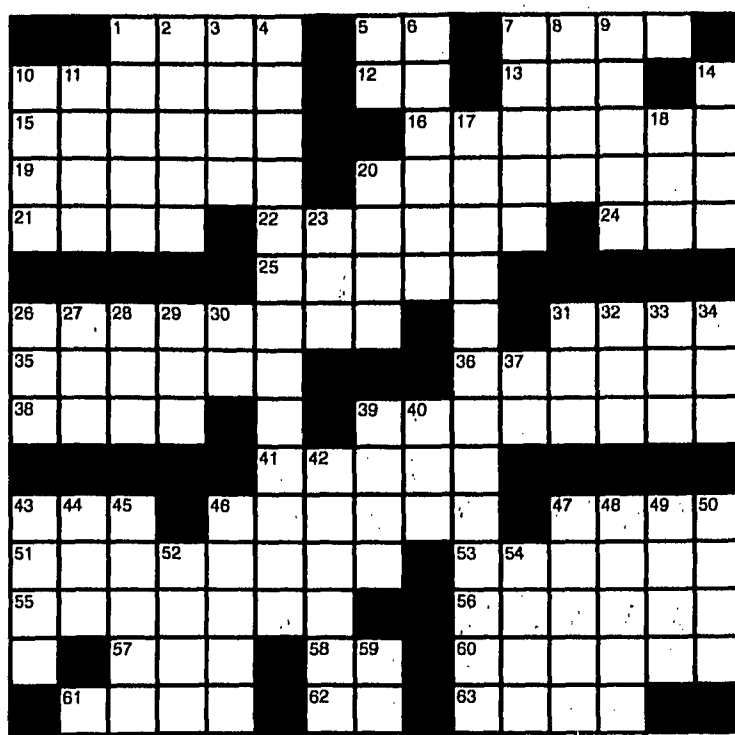
Let's look at "Dawson's Creek" for example. Prepubescent teens couldn't possibly be this angst ridden and eloquent. My grandparents are 70 and I've yet to see them ponder life quite like this show.

Or how about "Buffy the Vampire Slayer"? I can see why this show is a ratings titan. After all, what great-looking girl doesn't dream of doing battle with the dark overlord of the netherworld? Yes, parents, the future's looking brighter every day.

I'll close for this week, but don't forget to read next week as I examine newspaper ink. You read the paper each week, but did you know the ink we use could eat your flesh? I'll have answers on how to protect yourself next Thursday. For all of us here in Wells Hall, thanks for reading and goodnight.

The Stroller has been a Northwest tradition since 1918 and does not necessarily reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.

WEEKLY CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1. One _____ or two?

5. In case that

7. Quote

10. One who loves over much

12. Parent

13. Collection

15. Fine wool

16. Assure arrival of a letter

19. Medieval ether

20. Competed

21. Trig ratio

22. Small hole in fabric

24. Match the bet

25. At no time

26. Drip catcher by tub

31. Used a lawyer

35. Diatribe

36. Pulley wheel

38. Word study

39. Like a small, hard one seeded fruit

41. Indian capital

43. Satirical comic book

46. Irish language

47. In addition to

51. Brazilian pop

DOWN

1. Sophia's last name

2. Waste output

3. Dining choices

4. Cruise ship area

5. Tell him _____ not in!

6. Easy

7. Gold weight

8. Part of ILU (Abbr.)

9. Follows

10. Electrical measures

11. Hero dispenser

12. Jekyll's alter ego

17. _____ but up

18. Lawyer's charge

20. Races the engine

23. Until

27. Pretend

28. Attempt

29. Alter skirt

30. Cap. is Augusta

31. Quentin starter

32. Russian name

33. Frailein _____

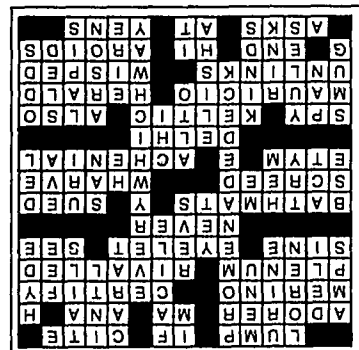
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PREVIOUS ANSWERS



26. Ed. deg.
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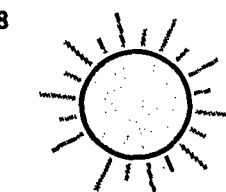
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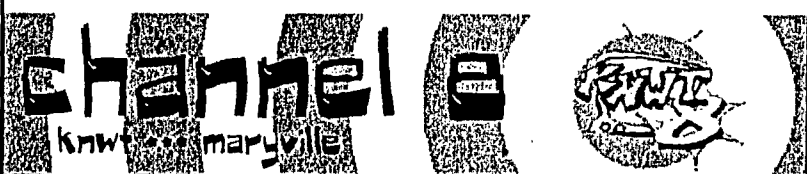
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